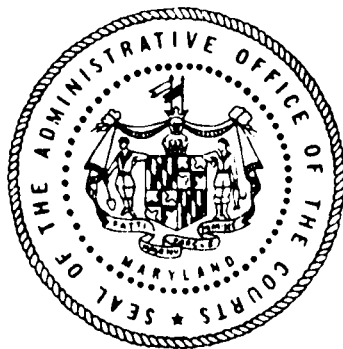


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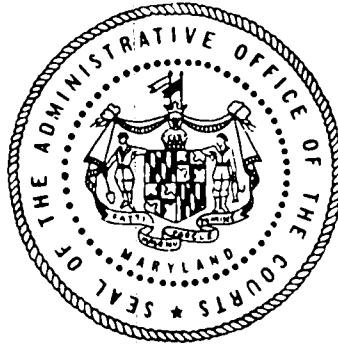
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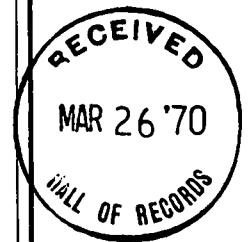
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The Court of Appeals of Maryland:

Pursuant to Chapter 343 of the Acts of 1955

I respectfully submit the Fourteenth Annual Report of  
this office, covering the period between September 1,  
1968 and August 31, 1969.

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# I ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

This fourteenth Annual Report contains the activities of the Maryland judicial system for the statistical year of September 1, 1968 through August 31, 1969.

Since the creation of the Administrative Office of the Courts in 1955, the duties imposed upon its Director have multiplied until at present in addition to his regular position he serves as Reporter to the Court of Appeals Standing Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure, Executive Secretary to the Maryland Judicial Conference, Secretary to the Commission on Judicial Disabilities and Secretary-Treasurer to the State Board of Law Examiners. His office also functions as secretariat to the Maryland Judicial Conference of Judges of Courts of Limited Jurisdiction.

Several innovations affecting judicial administration developed during the past year. Pursuant to adoption of new administrative rules by the Court of Appeals of Maryland effective April 1, 1969, the Chief Judge appointed an administrative judge for each judicial circuit. Those rules also provided for the appointment of county administrative judges in multiple-judge courts, by their circuit administrative judge with the approval of the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals. Members of the trial courts of general jurisdiction have also been required to submit weekly reports of their judicial activities beginning with the week of October 13, 1969. The reports were felt, by the majority of the Circuit Administrative Judges and by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, to be both desirable and necessary as serving

the useful purpose of aiding the ascertainment of the day by day workings of the judicial system, the need to provide for the distribution and disposal of the case loads among the various jurisdictions, and present and future judicial needs and scope of geographical functioning.

During the grading of the summer, 1969 bar examination, data processing was used for the first time to furnish each unsuccessful candidate with a breakdown of his score into subject areas. This information is designed to help the candidate in his study prior to retaking the examination by pointing out those areas of the law where his previous preparation was apparently inadequate.

Legislation passed by the 1969 General Assembly also required new members of the judiciary to contribute a percentage of their annual compensation toward the cost of their pension. Under the Act (Chapter 612 of the Laws of 1969), any member of the judiciary qualifying on or after July 1, 1969 is required to make such contribution. Members of the judiciary in office prior to that date have the option to remain under the old pension plan or elect to contribute under the new plan and receive a higher pension from the State.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the National Conference of Court Administrative Officers was held on August 6-9, 1969 at Dallas, Texas. Maryland was represented by the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts, who is a former Chairman of the organization, and the trial court administrator for the Seventh Judicial Circuit.

Funds expended by the Administrative Office on behalf of indigent criminal defendants taking appeals after conviction in a trial court of

general jurisdiction have continued to steadily increase over the years of the office's operation. A total of \$194,991.81 was spent during the 1969 fiscal year for this purpose while the figure for the 1970 fiscal year is expected to approach \$300,000.00. In addition, \$7459.00 was expended during the 1969 fiscal year for psychiatric fees for indigent defendants tried as defective delinquents.

Currently on the drawing board are plans for a new Court of Appeals Building in Annapolis, Maryland. The building when completed will house the Court of Appeals, Court of Special Appeals and their respective Clerk's Offices, Office of the State Reporter, State Library and the Administrative Office of the Courts. Completion of the new building is expected in 1972.

## II THE JUDICIARY

One appellate judge and seven trial court judges have qualified for the bench since this report was last published.

The newest member of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, Judge J. Dudley Digges, took the oath of office on December 1, 1969, having been elevated from the circuit level where he had presided since April 9, 1949. Judge Digges succeeded Judge Charles C. Marbury who had reached the mandatory retirement age. Judge Marbury had served on the Court since December 28, 1960, having previously served at the trial court level from October 1, 1941.

At the circuit court level, Chief Judge Patrick M. Schnauffer of

INCREASE AND DISTRIBUTION OF MARYLAND TRIAL COURT JUDICIARY												
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64	1964-65	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69
First	3	3	4 <sup>d</sup>	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Second	3	3	3	4 <sup>f</sup>	4	4	4	4	5 <sup>q</sup>	6 <sup>u</sup>	6	6
Third	5	7 <sup>a</sup>	7	7	7	8 <sup>j</sup>	8	8	11 <sup>r</sup>	11	11	11
Fourth	3	3	3	4 <sup>g</sup>	5 <sup>i</sup>	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Fifth	4	5 <sup>b</sup>	5	5	5	5	5	6 <sup>m</sup>	8 <sup>s</sup>	8	8	8
Sixth	4	5 <sup>c</sup>	5	5	5	6 <sup>k</sup>	7 <sup>l</sup>	8 <sup>n</sup>	10 <sup>t</sup>	10	10	11 <sup>x</sup>
Seventh	5	5	5	7 <sup>h</sup>	7	7	7	9 <sup>o</sup>	9	9	9	12 <sup>y</sup>
Eighth	13	13	15 <sup>e</sup>	15	15	15	15	16 <sup>p</sup>	16	17 <sup>v</sup>	21 <sup>w</sup>	21
State	40	44	47	51	52	54	55	60	68	70	74	78
Qualifying Dates:												
(a) July 1, 1959	December 30, 1960				(q) May 27, 1966	(w) December 17, 1968						
July 1, 1959	(i) January 3, 1962				(r) July 21, 1966	December 17, 1968						
(b) July 16, 1959	(j) July 1, 1963				December 16, 1966			December 17, 1968				
(c) July 1, 1959	(k) December 17, 1962				December 16, 1966			December 17, 1968				
(d) September 1, 1959	(l) July 23, 1964				(s) July 1, 1966	(x) September 30, 1969						
(e) November 2, 1959	(m) July 1, 1965				September 9, 1965			(y) October 30, 1969				
November 2, 1959	(n) August 2, 1965				(t) July 5, 1966	November 14, 1969						
(f) December 20, 1960	(o) July 9, 1965				July 15, 1966			November 21, 1969				
(g) December 29, 1960	(p) July 9, 1965				(u) July 21, 1967							
(h) December 27, 1960	(p) September 14, 1964				(v) June 1, 1967							

the Sixth Judicial Circuit voluntarily retired after a long career on the bench, that began on December 8, 1942. Judge Kathryn J. Shook, a member of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County since 1955, became Chief Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit upon the retirement of Judge Schnauffer. Judge Samuel W. Barrick succeeded Judge Schnauffer as one of the two resident judges of the Circuit Court for Frederick County. He qualified on September 27, 1969.

INCREASE IN MARYLAND TRIAL COURT JUDGES			
	<u>1957-58</u>	<u>1968-69</u>	<u>Increase</u>
FIRST CIRCUIT			
Dorchester	1	1	
Somerset	1	1	
Wicomico	1	1	
Worcester	0	1	1
SECOND CIRCUIT			
Caroline	1	1	
Cecil	1	2	1
Kent	0	1	1
Queen Anne's	1	1	
Talbot	0	1	1
THIRD CIRCUIT			
Baltimore	4	9	5
Harford	1	2	1
FOURTH CIRCUIT			
Allegany	1	2	1
Garrett	1	1	
Washington	1	2	1
FIFTH CIRCUIT			
Anne Arundel	2	5	3
Carroll	1	1	
Howard	1	2	1
SIXTH CIRCUIT			
Frederick	1	2	1
Montgomery	3	9	6
SEVENTH CIRCUIT			
Calvert	1	1	
Charles	1	1	
Prince George's	2	9	7
St. Mary's	1	1	
EIGHTH CIRCUIT			
Baltimore City	13	21	8
STATE	40	78	38

Judge Philip H. Dorsey, Jr. became Chief Judge of the Seventh Judicial Circuit upon the elevation of Judge Digges to the Court of Appeals. Judge James C. Mitchell replaced Judge Digges as resident judge of the Circuit Court for Charles County on December 31, 1969.

Judge Edward D. E. Rollins of the Circuit Court for Cecil County reached mandatory retirement age on November 15, 1969 and was succeeded by Judge J. Albert Roney, Jr. who qualified on December 18, 1969.

The 1969 General Assembly created four additional judgeships,

three for the Circuit Court for Prince George's County and one for the Circuit Court for Montgomery County. Judges Samuel J. DEBlasis, William H. McCullough, James H. Taylor and H. Ralph Miller were appointed to fill these positions. Respectively, their dates of qualification were as follows: October 30, 1969, November 14, 1969, November 21, 1969, and September 30, 1969.

Since the year 1957-58, the total number of trial court judgeships (now 78) has nearly doubled. As a result, the ratio of population per judge is now slightly better than 50,000 to 1.

Brief biographical sketches of the new members of the judiciary and a chart listing all members of the judiciary by seniority follow.

### TRIAL COURT JUDGES

#### Judge Samuel W. Barrick

Judge Barrick qualified as an associate judge of the Circuit Court for Frederick County on September 27, 1969, filling a vacancy created September 1, 1969 by the retirement of Judge Patrick M. Schnauffer.

Born in Woodsboro, Maryland on September 27, 1924, he attended Gettysburg College where he received his BA degree and the University of Maryland

POPULATION AND CASE LOAD PER JUDGE				
	Number of Judges	Population* Per Judge	Cases Filed Per Judge	
			Civil	Criminal
FIRST CIRCUIT				
Dorchester	1	28,900	408	136
Somerset	1	19,200	243	79
Wicomico	1	53,500	864	233
Worcester	1	26,400	377	219
SECOND CIRCUIT				
Caroline	1	15,500	277	88
Cecil	2	26,650	536	103
Kent	1	15,800	258	171
Queen Anne's	1	17,800	278	93
Talbot	1	22,100	294	52
THIRD CIRCUIT				
Baltimore	9	66,900	604	226
Harford	2	55,800	657	174
FOURTH CIRCUIT				
Allegany	2	43,250	505	135
Garrett	1	23,800	279	62
Washington	2	54,700	567	110
FIFTH CIRCUIT				
Anne Arundel	5	59,025	654	255
Carroll	1	65,300	853	138
Howard	2	28,600	411	161
SIXTH CIRCUIT				
Frederick	2	43,650	420	100
Montgomery	9	53,400	660	84
SEVENTH CIRCUIT				
Calvert	1	19,600	469	161
Charles	1	43,700	592	266
Prince George's	9	71,644	755	217
St. Mary's	1	44,300	638	238
EIGHTH CIRCUIT				
Baltimore City	21	42,714	805	655
STATE	78	49,035	646	298

\* Provisional Population Estimate for July 1, 1969 as issued October 1, 1969 by the Maryland State Department of Health, Division of Biostatistics.

School of Law for his LLB.

Judge Barrick is a member of the American, Maryland State and Frederick County Bar Associations and has taken an active part in numerous civic and community endeavors.

In addition to the general practice of law, he served as State's Attorney for Frederick County, State Senator, County Attorney, Delegate to the Maryland Constitutional Convention and member of several Governor's Study Committees and Commissions.

#### Judge Samuel J. DE Blasis

Judge DE Blasis qualified as an associate judge of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County on October 30, 1969 filling one of three new judgeships created by Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1969.

A native of Ohio, Judge DE Blasis was born on March 20, 1920. He attended the University of Nevada and University of Dayton prior to receiving his LLB in 1949 from the George Washington University School of Law.

The judge is a member of the American Judicature Society as well as the Maryland State, American and Prince George's County Bar Associations having served as past President and Vice President of the latter. In addition to the general practice of law he has been quite active in numerous civic organizations.

#### Judge William H. McCullough

Judge McCullough qualified as an associate judge of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County on November 14, 1969 filling one of three new judgeships created by Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1969.

Born on January 22, 1926 Judge McCullough attended George Washington University where he received his LLB in November 1950. In June of 1951 he was admitted to the bar.

Before attending law school, the judge served three years in the U.S. Navy.

He holds membership in the Maryland State, Prince George's County, District of Columbia and American Bar Associations and has served on various committees in each association.

Prior to his appointment, Judge McCullough served in Prince George's County as an Associate Judge of the People's Court, Attorney to the Board of License Commissioners and Examiner for the Circuit Court. He has also served as General Counsel to the Maryland Municipal League and Vice President of the Legal Aid Society.

### Judge H. Ralph Miller

Having been appointed to fill a new judgeship, created by Chapter 618 of the Laws of 1969, Judge Miller qualified as an associate judge of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County on September 30, 1969.

Judge Miller, who was born on October 23, 1925, attended George Washington University and received his LLB in 1949. He was admitted to the bar the same year.

In addition to the general practice of law with his two brothers, the judge served as standing Examiner in Equity and Court Auditor for the Circuit Court for Montgomery County and also as Associate Judge of the People's Court of Montgomery County. He was a member of the Executive Committee of the Maryland Judicial Conference of Judges of Courts of Limited Jurisdiction and also served as Vice Chairman of that organization.

### Judge James C. Mitchell

Judge Mitchell qualified as an associate judge of the Circuit Court for Charles County on December 31, 1969. His appointment filled a vacancy resulting from the elevation of Judge J. Dudley Digges to the Court of Appeals of Maryland.

Born at La Plata on October 1, 1905, Judge Mitchell attended the University of Virginia and later the University of Maryland where he received his LLB degree in 1931. He was admitted to the bar the following year.

Together with the general practice of law, the judge has been publisher of the "Times - Crescent", a Charles County weekly, since 1934. The only interruption to his career of attorney and publisher came during World War II, at which time he spent four and one-half years in the military service.

Judge Mitchell is a member of the Maryland State and Charles County Bar Associations.

### Judge J. Albert Roney, Jr.

Judge Roney qualified on December 18, 1969 as an associate judge of the Circuit Court for Cecil County to fill a vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Edward D. E. Rollins on November 15, 1969.

Born on July 22, 1913, Judge Roney attended the University of Maryland where he received his BA degree in 1934 and LLB degree in 1936. He was admitted to the bar in October 1936.

In 1942 he was inducted into the U.S. Army and later transferred to the Air Corps where he served in the Pacific Theatre of Operations until 1945. He was discharged from the Air Corps in 1946 with the rank of Captain.



In addition to the practice of law, Judge Roney served three consecutive terms as State's Attorney for Cecil County after which he was elected to the State Senate and named Vice Chairman of the Judicial Proceedings Committee. He is a member of the Maryland State Bar Association and past President of the Cecil County Bar Association and Second Judicial Circuit Bar Association.

The judge has been active in numerous community endeavors.

#### Judge James H. Taylor

Judge Taylor qualified as an associate judge of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County on November 21, 1969 filling one of three new judge-ships created by Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1969.

A native of Howard County, where he was born on July 7, 1926, the judge did undergraduate work at Howard University and obtained an LLB degree in 1953 at the Washington College of Law of the American University. He was admitted to the bar in July 1955.

Judge Taylor served as Assistant State's Attorney for Prince George's County from 1963-1966 and Master for Juvenile Causes from 1966-1968.

# MARYLAND JUDGES

(In Order of Seniority)

## COURT OF APPEALS

Hon. Hall Hammond (Chief Judge)	10/ 1/52
Hon. Wilson K. Barnes	12/15/64
Hon. William J. McWilliams	9/ 9/65
Hon. Thomas B. Finan	10/13/66
Hon. Frederick J. Singley, Jr.	10/25/67
Hon. Marvin H. Smith	5/20/68
Hon. J. Dudley Digges	12/ 1/69

## COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS

Hon. Robert C. Murphy (Chief Judge)	1/ 6/67
Hon. Thomas M. Anderson	1/ 6/67
Hon. James C. Morton, Jr.	1/ 6/67
Hon. Charles E. Orth, Jr.	1/ 6/67
Hon. Charles Awdry Thompson	1/ 6/67

## TRIAL COURTS<sup>a</sup>

Hon. J. DeWeese Carter <sup>b</sup>	4/ 4/49	Hon. James A. Perrott	1/25/65
Hon. Joseph L. Carter	2/29/52	Hon. Edward O. Weant	2/17/65
Hon. E. McMaster Duer <sup>c</sup>	7/10/52	Hon. James S. Getty	3/17/65
Hon. James K. Cullen	12/23/52	Hon. Kenneth C. Proctor <sup>d</sup>	5/10/65
Hon. James Macgill <sup>b</sup>	1/ 6/55	Hon. E. Mackall Childs	7/ 1/65
Hon. D. K. McLaughlin <sup>c</sup>	1/ 6/55	Hon. Robert B. Mathias	7/ 9/65
Hon. Kathryn J. Shook <sup>c</sup>	5/13/55	Hon. Samuel W. H. Meloy	7/ 9/65
Hon. Lester L. Barrett <sup>c</sup>	8/30/55	Hon. Joseph M. Mathias	8/ 2/65
		Hon. T. Hunt Mayfield	9/ 9/65
		Hon. William W. Travers <sup>d</sup>	11/19/65
Hon. Philip H. Dorsey, Jr. <sup>c</sup>	11/24/56		
Hon. John E. Raine, Jr.	11/26/56	Hon. Harry E. Clark	5/27/66
Hon. Anselm Sodaro	12/11/56	Hon. Plummer M. Shearin	7/ 5/66
Hon. Matthew S. Evans	12/19/56	Hon. John P. Moore	7/15/66
		Hon. John N. Maguire	7/21/66
Hon. W. Albert Menchine	2/21/58	Hon. Ridgely P. Melvin, Jr.	8/ 2/66
Hon. James H. Pugh	12/ 8/58	Hon. Walter R. Haile	12/16/66
		Hon. H. Kemp MacDaniel	12/16/66
Hon. Ralph G. Shure	7/ 1/59		
Hon. J. Gilbert Prendergast	11/ 2/59	Hon. Irving A. Levine	1/10/67
Hon. Dulany Foster <sup>b</sup>	11/ 2/59	Hon. Robert I. H. Hammerman	5/ 3/67
		Hon. H. Kenneth Mackey	7/21/67
Hon. John Grason Turnbull	6/ 6/60	Hon. Albert P. Close	11/30/67
Hon. Ralph W. Powers <sup>d</sup>	9/30/60		
Hon. George B. Rasin, Jr.	12/20/60	Hon. Harry A. Cole	1/15/68
Hon. Roscoe H. Parker	12/27/60	Hon. Solomon Liss	9/ 5/68
Hon. Ernest A. Loveless, Jr.	12/30/60	Hon. George D. Solter	9/ 5/68
		Hon. David Ross	9/ 5/68
Hon. William B. Bowie	1/23/61	Hon. W. Harvey Beardmore	9/ 9/68
Hon. Shirley B. Jones	9/22/61	Hon. B. Hackett Turner, Jr.	10/ 5/68
Hon. Meyer M. Cardin	10/17/61	Hon. Paul A. Dorf	12/17/68
Hon. Stuart F. Hamill	10/23/61	Hon. Joseph C. Howard	12/17/68
		Hon. Basil A. Thomas	12/17/68
Hon. Irvine H. Rutledge <sup>d</sup>	1/ 3/62	Hon. Robert B. Watts	12/17/68
Hon. Charles D. Harris	1/ 8/62		
Hon. George Sachse	6/27/62	Hon. Samuel W. Barrick	9/27/69
Hon. J. Harold Grady	12/ 7/62	Hon. H. Ralph Miller	9/30/69
Hon. Walter H. Moorman	12/17/62	Hon. Samuel J. DEBlasis	10/30/69
		Hon. William H. McCullough	11/14/69
Hon. Harry E. Dyer, Jr.	7/ 1/63	Hon. James H. Taylor	11/21/69
		Hon. J. Albert Roney, Jr.	12/18/69
Hon. Daniel T. Prettyman	3/ 4/64	Hon. James C. Mitchell	12/31/69
Hon. Perry G. Bowen	4/15/64		
Hon. Harold E. Naughton	4/27/64		
Hon. C. Burnam Mace	6/24/64		
Hon. Robert E. Clapp, Jr. <sup>d</sup>	7/23/64		
Hon. Walter M. Jenifer	7/23/64		
Hon. Albert L. Sklar	9/14/64		
Hon. William J. O'Donnell	10/ 5/64		

(a) See appendix for list of Judges by Circuits.

(b) Chief Judge and Administrative Judge of Judicial Circuit.

(c) Chief Judge of Judicial Circuit.

(d) Administrative Judge of Judicial Circuit.

### III JUDICIAL CONFERENCES

#### THE MARYLAND JUDICIAL CONFERENCE

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Maryland Judicial Conference will be held in Baltimore, Maryland on April 9, 10 and 11, 1970. Program arrangements have not been finalized but seminar topics expected to be covered will include "Psychiatry", "Narcotics" and "Correctional Institutions".

#### THE MARYLAND JUDICIAL CONFERENCE OF JUDGES OF COURTS OF LIMITED JURISDICTION

The seventh annual meeting of the Maryland Judicial Conference of Judges of Courts of Limited Jurisdiction was held in Baltimore on May 8 and 9, 1969 and was attended by 105 persons. Agenda topics included "1969 Legislation", "Search and Seizure", "The Breathalyzer" and a "Sentencing Institute".

A seminar for newly designated Trial Magistrates was held by the conference on April 26, 1969 in Baltimore. A total of thirty-five new Trial Magistrates were in attendance. In addition, a regional seminar at Hagerstown on October 24, 1969 was attended by sixty-six persons who heard the subjects of "Rent Laws" and "Chemical Tests and the Drinking Driver" discussed.

The organization will hold a regional seminar at Easton on February 27, 1970 which will be devoted to subjects in the traffic law area. The eighth annual meeting of the Maryland Judicial Conference of Judges of Courts of Limited Jurisdiction has been scheduled for May 21 and 22, 1970 in Baltimore.

## NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF TRIAL COURT JUDGES

The 1969 session of the National Conference of Trial Court Judges was held at Dallas, Texas on August 8-10. Judges J. DeWeese Carter, Harry E. Dyer, Jr. and Dulany Foster attended the meeting as official delegates from Maryland. Other members of the Maryland judiciary present included Judges William B. Bowie, Philip H. Dorsey, Jr., T. Hunt Mayfield, Ralph W. Powers and Plummer M. Shearin.

St. Louis, Missouri will be the site of the 1970 meeting of the conference which will be held on August 7-9.

## NATIONAL COLLEGE OF STATE TRIAL JUDGES

Three Maryland judges were enrolled in the 1969 sessions of the National College of State Trial Judges held at Reno, Nevada. Attending the June 23-July 18 session was Judge W. Harvey Beardmore of the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County while Judge David Ross of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City and Judge Bruce C. Williams of the People's Court of Anne Arundel County were present at the July 28-August 22 session.

The 1969 attendees bring the total number of graduates of the National College of State Trial Judges from Maryland to twenty-four. They are, with the year of their attendance, as follows:

1964

Hon. William B. Bowie

Hon. Harry E. Dyer, Jr.

1965

Hon. Robert E. Clapp, Jr.

1966

Hon. T. Hunt Mayfield  
Hon. George B. Rasin, Jr.

Hon. Plummer M. Shearin  
Hon. Edward O. Weant

1967

Hon. E. Mackall Childs  
Hon. Harry E. Clark  
Hon. Irving A. Levine  
Hon. H. Kemp MacDaniel  
Hon. Joseph M. Mathias

Hon. Robert B. Mathias  
Hon. Samuel W. H. Meloy  
Hon. Ridgely P. Melvin, Jr.  
Hon. John P. Moore  
Hon. Paul T. Pitcher (deceased)

1968

Hon. Albert P. Close  
Hon. Thomas J. Curley

Hon. Thomas J. Kenney  
Hon. H. Kenneth Mackey

1969

Hon. W. Harvey Beardmore

Hon. David Ross

Hon. Bruce C. Williams

# IV THE COURT OF APPEALS

The number of appeals docketed in the Court of Appeals of Maryland during its September 1968 Term declined by 5.5 percent over the previous term. There were 411 appeals filed with the Court during the 1968 Term; 3 cases carried over from the 1966 Term; 86 from the 1967 Term and 5 advanced from the 1969 Term or a total of 505 cases pending before the Court for consideration. Of this number, 476 or 94.3 percent of the docket had been disposed of when the term ended.

Civil cases accounted for 400 (97.3 percent) of the 411 appeals docketed and a comparison of this figure with the 1958 Term denotes an increase of 68.0 percent over the 238 filed that year. At present, the 1969 docket indicates that there will be a continuing upward trend in the number of cases docketed by the Court. Criminal cases numbered but 11 during the 1968 Term, accounting for the remaining 2.7 percent of the total cases docketed.

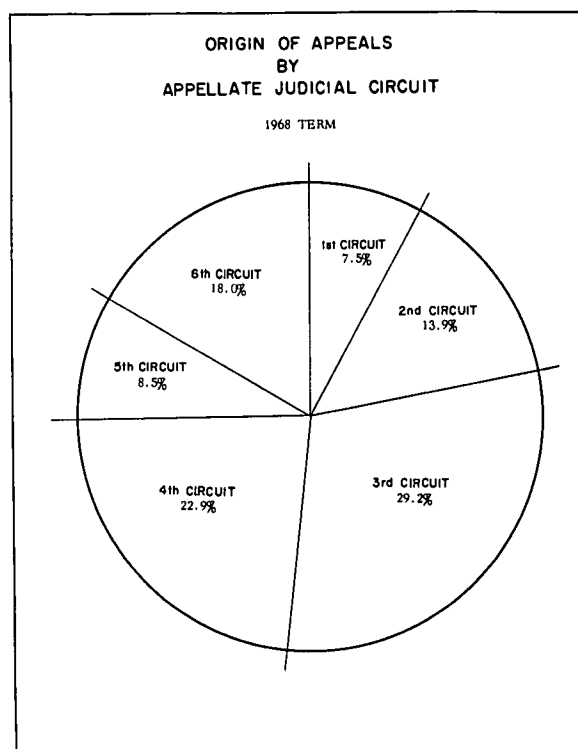
The origin of appeals varied slightly in the first, second, third and sixth Appellate Judicial Circuits where increases of from one-half to one per-

	APPEALS DOCKETED		Total
	Civil Cases	Criminal Cases	
1958	238	45	283
1959	205	45	250
1960	246	98	344
1961	254	102	356
1962	241	119	360
1963	308	137	445
1964	291	191	482
1965	331	224	555
1966	374	340	714
1967	408	27	435
1968	400	11	411

cent were registered. Most noticeable changes occurred in the fourth circuit, an increase of 5.2 percent, and the fifth circuit, a decrease of 8.3 percent. Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, Montgomery and Washington Counties, which constitute the third appellate circuit, once again accounted for the greatest

number of appeals with 120 (29.2 percent).

The fourth circuit followed with 94 (22.9 percent); the sixth with 74 (18.0 percent); the second accounted for 57 (13.9 percent); the fifth with 35 (8.5 percent) and the first tallied 31 or 7.5 percent. Appeals from Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Montgomery and Prince George's, the Metropolitan Counties, numbered 238, constituting 57.9 percent of the total. The remaining 19 counties recorded 99 cases (24.1 percent).



There were 139 appeals dismissed by the parties prior to argument or submission to the Court. This number was 20 higher than the previous term and together with the fact that fewer cases were docketed, aided greatly in reducing the number of pending cases carried over.

476 of the 505 cases before the Court were disposed of during the 1968 Term with 325 being considered and decided - 203 were affirmed (62.5 percent), 84 were reversed (25.8 percent) and the remaining 38 were affirmed in part

	RELATIVE DISTRIBUTION OF APPEALS			
	October Term 1955	September Term 1966	September Term 1967	September Term 1968
Metropolitan Counties	39.6	40.3	58.8	57.9
Baltimore City	44.9	40.1	17.5	18.0
Other 19 Counties	15.5	19.6	23.7	24.1

and reversed in part, modified and affirmed, remanded without affirmance or reversal or considered and dismissed.

There were 319 written opinions filed, five of which disposed of an additional appeal each. One case was remanded by the Court without an opinion. Nineteen per curiam opinions were filed, 299 (94.0 percent)

were written by members of the Court and one was written by a judge specially assigned to the Court. In addition there were 11 dissenting and 3 concurring opinions. The average number of opinions written by members of the Court ran 42-43 with an individual range of 41-45.

During the past year the following members of the judiciary were designated by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, as authorized by Section 18A of Article IV of the Constitution of Maryland, to temporarily sit at the appellate or trial court level. The majority of those designated to sit at the trial court level were assigned to the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City to alleviate the backlog in Criminal cases.

#### COURT OF APPEALS

Hon. W. Harvey Beardmore

Hon. E. Mackall Childs

Hon. Charles E. Orth, Jr.

#### CASES DISMISSED PRIOR TO ARGUMENT OR SUBMISSION

<u>Docket</u>	<u>Filed</u>	<u>Dismissed</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
1959	250	54	21.6
1960	344	75	21.8
1961	356	73	20.5
1962	360	81	22.5
1963	445	101	22.7
1964	482	109	22.6
1965	555	107	19.8
1966	714	118	16.5
1967	435	119	27.4
1968	411	139	33.8



DISPOSITION OF CASES DURING 1968 TERM

	<u>Law</u>	<u>Equity</u>	<u>Criminal</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Affirmed	129	67	7	203
Reversed	51	28	5	84
Dismissed - Opinion Filed	4	3		7
Remanded without Affirmance or Reversal	7	3	2	12
Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	6	6		12
Modified and Affirmed	2	5		7
Stayed	2	3		5
Advanced and Disposed of in 1967 Term		3		3
Dismissed Prior to Argument or Submission	88	54	1	143
Pending at Close of Term	19	10		29
Totals	<u>308</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>505</u>

## TRIAL COURTS

Hon. Perry G. Bowen  
Hon. William B. Bowie  
Hon. J. DeWeese Carter  
Hon. Robert E. Clapp, Jr.  
Hon. Harry E. Clark  
Hon. Albert P. Close  
Hon. J. Dudley Digges  
Hon. Philip H. Dorsey  
Hon. E. McMaster Duer  
Hon. James S. Getty  
Hon. Stuart F. Hamill  
Hon. Hall Hammond  
Hon. Charles D. Harris  
Hon. Walter M. Jenifer  
Hon. Irving A. Levine

Hon. C. Burnam Mace  
Hon. H. Kenneth Mackey  
Hon. D. K. McLaughlin  
Hon. W. Albert Menchine  
Hon. John P. Moore  
Hon. Walter H. Moorman  
Hon. Robert C. Murphy  
Hon. Harold E. Naughton  
Hon. William J. O'Donnell  
Hon. Kenneth C. Proctor  
Hon. George B. Rasin, Jr.  
Hon. Edward D. E. Rollins  
Hon. Irvine H. Rutledge  
Hon. Plummer M. Shearin  
Hon. William W. Travers

For the second consecutive year the time intervals between docketing and decision (7.6 mos.) and docketing and argument (6.5 mos.) were reduced, this time to their lowest level since 1964. The time span between argument and the Court's decision remained at 1.1 mos. for the third consecutive year.

During the 1968 Term, on January 9, 1969, the Court adopted Md. Rule 846a which reduced the time of argument to one-half hour per side. It is apparent that this change had a marked effect on the actual time consumed on arguments by both sides thus permitting the Court to schedule more cases per sitting. Appellants argued, on the average, 25.9 minutes per case, while the average estimated time was 33.4 minutes. Both figures were approximately 5 minutes less than the previous year's average. The actual time utilized by the appellees averaged 18.5 minutes (3.4 minutes less than last year) while the estimated time was 28.7 minutes (6 minutes less than the previous term). While there was a definite reduction, by both sides, in the amount of time actually expended on arguments, the tendency to request more time than

STATUS OF THE CALENDAR

Regular Docket

Appeals 505

1966 Term	3
1967 Term	86
1968 Term	411
1969 Term	5

Civil	490
Criminal	15

Disposed Of 476

During 1967 Term	3
Stayed	5
Dismissed prior to Argument	143
Considered and Decided	325

Pending 29

Civil	29
Criminal	0

Miscellaneous Docket

Appeals 242

Granted	6
Dismissed	2
Denied	233
Pending at Close of Term	1

needed remained high. Of those cases argued by the appellants, 77.9 percent overestimated their time, 16.2 percent underestimated and 5.9 percent correctly estimated. Appellees overestimated 34.4 percent, underestimated 10.6 percent and correctly estimated in but 5 percent in their expectation of the amount of time needed to present their arguments.

AVERAGE TIME INTERVALS  
FOR DISPOSITION OF APPEALS  
(In months)

	<u>Docketed to Decision</u>	<u>Docketed to Argument</u>	<u>Argument to Decision</u>
1959	5.0	3.7	1.3
1960	6.4	5.2	1.2
1961	6.1	4.9	1.2
1962	6.1	4.6	1.5
1963	6.1	4.9	1.2
1964	7.3	6.1	1.2
1965	8.7	7.9	0.8
1966	9.4	8.3	1.1
1967	8.9	7.8	1.1
1968	7.6	6.5	1.1

There were 242 petitions for the issuance of Writs of Certiorari to the Court of Special Appeals filed in the Court of Appeals during the 1968 Term. This figure represented an increase of 80.6 percent over the 134 filed in the prior year. Despite this factor only one remained open at the conclusion of the term while 233 were denied, 2 were dismissed and 6 were granted and placed on the Court's regular docket.

The following tabulation attests to the various tasks performed by the personnel in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Appeals. As is evidenced, the figures reflect a sizable amount of activity throughout the year.

RECORDATIONS  
CLERK'S OFFICE - COURT OF APPEALS

	September Term 1962	September Term 1963	September Term 1964	September Term 1965	September Term 1966	September Term 1967	September Term 1968
CASES DOCKETED							
Regular	360	445	482	555	714	435	411
Miscellaneous	*	14	4	6	34	134	242
Applications for Leave to Appeal	90	160	144	148	156	2	2
BRIEFS FILED							
Regular	702	812	863	760	903	705	655
Miscellaneous (Petitions for Writ of Certiorari, etc.)	*	*	*	*	*	*	247
Applications for Leave to Appeal	180	300	270	256	68	0	0
OPINIONS FILED							
Regular (Including Dissents, etc.)	231	331	282	263	284	287	314
Applications for Leave to Appeal	21	41	33	28	2	0	0
PER CURIAMS FILED							
Regular	57	47	57	17	15	17	19
Applications for Leave to Appeal	69	106	94	83	13	1	3
Designations, Petitions, Motions and Orders Filed	683	735	845	905	1096	1050	1060
Stipulations, Motions and Orders	652	795	885	1404	1750	1290	960
Appeals to United States Supreme Court Prepared	7	12	15	14	12	8	15
Certified Copies of Bar Certificates Issued	260	291	275	325	463	550	240
Persons Admitted to the Bar	306	294	303	340	284	333	228
Copies of Opinions and Miscellaneous Papers Issued	*	4140	4813	9700	7600	7500	7100

V  
THE COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS

The Court of Special Appeals recorded 500 appeals on its regular docket during the September 1968 Term which, when compared with the 382 filings of the prior term, amounted to an increase of 30.9 percent.

Once more, over half (54.4 percent) of the appeals originated in Baltimore City which accounted for 272. Baltimore, Montgomery, Prince George's and Anne Arundel, the Metropolitan Counties, contributed 54, 25, 58 and 24 respectively for an additional total of 161 with the balance (67) originating in 16 of the remaining 19 counties. Harford, Wicomico and Somerset filed no appeals during the 1968 Term.

The Court disposed of 496 of the 518 cases before it (500 docketed during the 68 Term and 18 carried over from the 67 Term) by considering and deciding 427 (85.4 percent) with the remaining 69 (13.8 percent) being dismissed prior to argument. Of that number considered and decided by the

<p style="text-align: center;">ORIGIN OF APPEALS BY SPECIAL APPELLATE JUDICIAL CIRCUITS</p>						
Circuit	Initial Term 1967		September Term 1967		September Term 1968	
	Number Cases	Percentage	Number Cases	Percentage	Number Cases	Percentage
First	22	6.5	31	8.1	31	6.2
Second	27	7.9	44	11.5	67	13.4
Third	28	8.3	29	7.6	42	8.4
Fourth	57	16.8	68	17.8	88	17.6
Fifth	205	60.5	210	55.0	272	54.4
Totals	339	100.0	382	100.0	500	100.0

# STATUS OF THE CALENDAR

## Regular Docket

Appeals	518
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September 1967 Term	18
September 1968 Term	500

Disposed Of	496
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Dismissed Prior to Argument	69
Considered and Decided	427

Pending	22
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## Miscellaneous Docket

Appeals	16
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Disposed Of	16
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Granted	3
Denied	13

Court, 84.1 percent of the lower court's decisions were affirmed with 11.0 percent being reversed.

Disposition of cases, from the date of docketing in the Court to date of decision, averaged 6.6 months; 4.8 months of which elapsed between time of docketing and argument. The Court handed down its decision on the average 1.8 months after arguments had been presented by the parties.

There were 428 written opinions filed in disposing of the 427 appeals considered by the Court. One appeal was divided in two parts and an opinion was written for each. Per curiam opinions totaled 256 (59.8 percent of the total) while those written by regular members of the Court numbered 172. In addition, 3 dissenting opinions were filed.

#### DISPOSITION OF CRIMINAL APPEALS

During September 1968 Term

Affirmed	359
Reversed	47
Dismissed, Opinion Filed	4
Remanded without Affirmance or Reversal	3
Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	14
Dismissed Prior to Argument or Submission	69
Pending at Close of Term	<u>22</u>
Total	518

Together with its regular docket, the Court disposed of 16 miscellaneous appeals as well as 133 post conviction and 25 defective delinquent cases.



# APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL

September 1968 Term

DOCKETED 170

Post Conviction	122
Post Conviction from previous Term	22
Defective Delinquent	18
Defective Delinquent from previous Term	8

DISPOSED OF 158

Post Conviction	133
Granted	1
Granted and Remanded	11
Remanded	1
Dismissed	3
Withdrawn	4
Denied	113

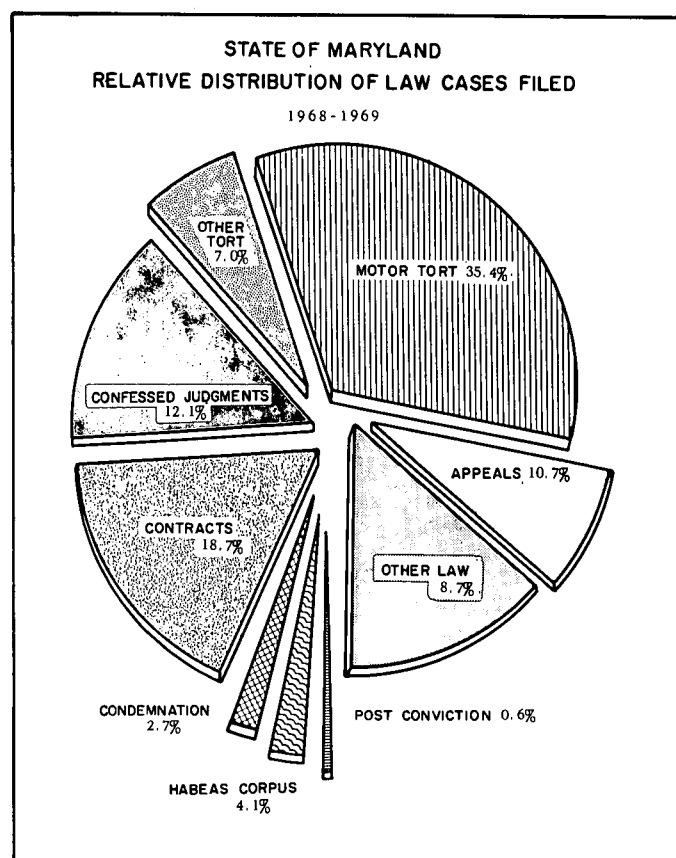
Defective Delinquent	25
Withdrawn	1
Denied	24

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Post Conviction	11
Defective Delinquent	1

## VI THE TRIAL COURTS

The statistical year 1968-69 was another busy one for the trial courts of general jurisdiction. Cases filed in the law and equity categories remained relatively stable compared to the year 1967-68 while the number of criminal actions showed a moderate increase. A total of 73,664 civil and criminal filings were reported, an increase of 2.0 percent over the 72,188 reported in 1967-68. Terminations decreased less than one percent, the number in 1967-68 being 69,943 and, in 1968-69, 69,403. Law filings constituted 34.3 percent of the total cases filed at the trial court level, followed by equity cases with 34.1 percent and criminal with 31.6 percent.



LAW cases instituted numbered 25,235, a decrease of 1.4 percent from the previous year, and marked the third year in a row that law filings declined.

	Civil Cases Instituted									
	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64	1964-65	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69
Total	39,842	43,022	43,695	45,856	48,544	49,873	51,233	49,245	50,594	50,384
Law	21,555	23,928	24,305	24,585	25,138	26,277	26,777	26,081	25,583	25,235
Original Cases	(19,726)	(22,055)	(22,216)	(22,493)	(22,804)	(23,820)	(24,148)	(23,531)	(22,893)	(22,528)
Appeals	(1,829)	(1,873)	(2,089)	(2,092)	(2,334)	(2,457)	(2,629)	(2,550)	(2,690)	(2,707)
Equity	18,287	19,094	19,390	21,271	23,406	23,596	24,456	23,164	25,011	25,149

Terminations in the law category also declined at a more substantial rate, 12.9 percent, from 26,539 the prior year to 23,125 the past year.

EQUITY filings numbered 25,149 and were nearly equaled by the 25,087 terminations reported, increases of 0.6 and 7.0 percent, respectively, over the 25,011 and 23,436 figures of 1967-68.

CRIMINAL filings increased 7.8 percent over the prior year as 23,280 cases were recorded in 1968-69 compared to 21,594 in 1967-68. Terminations in that category also showed an increase of 6.1 percent, 19,968 to 21,191.

LAW actions filed in BALTIMORE CITY numbered 8904, registering a decrease of 4.8 percent when compared with the 9355 filed in 1967-68. This decrease coupled with that experienced in the prior year, amounted to the largest reduction in any of the political subdivisions. Montgomery County which had recorded the most substantial increase in the previous year when 3606 cases were filed, reversed its trend and docketed 3530, a decrease of 76. Filings in Prince George's County continued to decline from 2803 in 1967-68 to 2757 in 1968-69. That reduction, however, was not as sizable as the 313 decrease noted in the prior year. Baltimore County remained almost static reporting an increase of but 2 cases while Anne Arundel County after having had a moderate decline in the prior year noted an increase of 77 filings. Eleven of the remaining counties reported moderate

RELATIVE INCREASE IN MOTOR TORTS

	<u>Total Law Cases</u>	<u>Motor Torts</u>	<u>Percentage of Motor Torts</u>
1959-60	21,555	6,006	28.1
1960-61	23,928	6,666	27.8
1961-62	24,305	7,177	29.5
1962-63	24,589	7,507	30.5
1963-64	25,138	8,276	32.9
1964-65	26,277	8,586	32.7
1965-66	26,777	9,009	33.6
1966-67	26,081	8,669	33.2
1967-68	25,583	8,991	35.1
1968-69	25,235	8,932	35.4

increases with eight showing slight declines.

MOTOR TORTS accounted for 35.4 percent (8932) of the total law actions docketed in 1968-69 with 51.0 percent of this number (4552) originating in Baltimore City. Shift in population from rural to urban areas is apparently having a direct bearing on statistical data which indicates a gradual decrease in motor tort litigation in Baltimore City and a rise in the larger counties which border the City. In comparing the 1966-67, 1967-68 and 1968-69 figures it may be noted that percentage-wise, motor torts filed in Baltimore City were 54.7, 52.5 and 51.0,

APPEALS FROM COURTS OF LIMITED JURISDICTION AND ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIES							
September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969							
	Magistrates and People's Courts	Law		Traffic	Criminal		Totals
		Administrative Agencies	Total		Other	Total	
FIRST CIRCUIT							
Dorchester	1	7	8	19	65	84	92
Somerset	3	4	7	14	6	20	27
Wicomico	9	11	20	77	22	99	119
Worcester	3	5	8	24	9	33	41
SECOND CIRCUIT							
Caroline	2	4	6	12	12	24	30
Cecil	10	1	11	21	17	38	49
Kent	1	2	3	29	10	39	42
Queen Anne's	8	0	8	10	12	22	30
Talbot	2	2	4	8	7	15	19
THIRD CIRCUIT							
Baltimore	258	108	366	347	107	454	820
Harford	48	22	70	58	22	80	150
FOURTH CIRCUIT							
Allegany	20	22	42	34	34	68	110
Garrett	0	2	2	14	4	18	20
Washington	30	17	47	36	53	89	136
FIFTH CIRCUIT							
Anne Arundel	52	54	106	177	118	295	401
Carroll	7	23	30	19	28	47	77
Howard	20	10	30	43	55	98	128
SIXTH CIRCUIT							
Frederick	4	22	26	32	51	83	109
Montgomery	191	79	270	76	199	275	545
SEVENTH CIRCUIT							
Calvert	15	0	15	20	72	92	107
Charles	10	5	15	21	118	139	154
Prince George's	110	98	208	232	702	934	1142
St. Mary's	8	7	15	59	43	102	117
EIGHTH CIRCUIT							
Baltimore City	858	532	1390	1077	868	1945	3335
STATE	1670	1037	2707	2459	2634	5093	7800

TYPES OF LAW CASES TRIED

JURY AND NON-JURY

1968-69

	Motor Tort		Other Tort		Condemnation		Contract		Other Law	
	Jury	Non-Jury	Jury	Non-Jury	Jury	Non-Jury	Jury	Non-Jury	Jury	Non-Jury
FIRST CIRCUIT										
Dorchester	0	3	0	0	3	1	0	5	0	8
Somerset	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6
Wicomico	11	0	4	1	0	1	2	7	4	10
Worcester	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	4	1	6
SECOND CIRCUIT										
Caroline	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	2	0	5
Cecil	15	6	3	0	2	1	6	54	13	47
Kent	4	0	2	1	0	0	4	5	1	5
Queen Anne's	0	5	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	7
Talbot	5	6	1	3	0	0	0	1	8	13
THIRD CIRCUIT										
Baltimore	160	79	29	27	17	6	18	212	25	114
Harford	16	7	2	0	4	2	1	14	4	16
FOURTH CIRCUIT										
Allegany	10	11	1	1	3	0	0	5	9	30
Garrett	4	0	0	0	16	3	0	0	6	10
Washington	28	13	2	3	1	0	6	63	6	17
FIFTH CIRCUIT										
Anne Arundel	49	16	6	7	6	4	4	38	12	86
Carroll	0	2	0	6	2	1	1	15	1	13
Howard	19	3	2	8	14	0	0	0	4	19
SIXTH CIRCUIT										
Frederick	8	3	0	0	4	0	3	8	2	9
Montgomery	81	13	24	6	4	0	9	46	43	139
SEVENTH CIRCUIT										
Calvert	5	7	1	4	8	0	2	8	2	7
Charles	6	0	2	1	3	0	0	9	0	16
Prince George's	72	30	49	35	32	4	1	7	30	206
St. Mary's	4	1	4	2	6	0	1	4	4	9
EIGHTH CIRCUIT										
Baltimore City	420	229	67	46	34	4	33	268	94	157
STATE	923	436	200	151	163	27	95	776	269	955

respectively, while those in the four largest counties were 33.0, 34.6 and 35.3, respectively. During these same periods the smaller counties have experienced slight increases.

APPEALS from the courts of limited jurisdiction and administrative agencies to the trial courts of general jurisdiction throughout Maryland totaled 1670 and 1037, respectively, and comprised 10.7 percent of the total law filings. Baltimore City accounted for slightly more than half of those appeals as 858 were noted from its People's Court and 532 from its various administrative agencies.

TRIALS in law cases numbered 3995 during the year and accounted for 17.3 percent of the 23,125 law dispositions, the balance being concluded by settlement or dismissal prior to trial. Jurisdictions reporting over 20 percent of their law cases disposed of by trial were Baltimore, Cecil, Garrett, Talbot and Washington Counties. The Baltimore City ratio of trials to dispositions was slightly lower than the State average as only 16.7 percent of its law dispositions were concluded by trial. A total of 256 more law trials were held in Maryland during 1968-69 than

LAW CASES			
<u>PROPORTION OF TRIALS TO DISPOSITIONS</u>			
	Total Law Cases Disposed Of	Disposed of by Trial	Percent Disposed Of by Trial
Allegany	464	70	15.1
Anne Arundel	1269	228	18.0
Baltimore	2488	687	27.6
Baltimore City	8099	1352	16.7
Calvert	250	44	17.6
Caroline	113	13	11.5
Carroll	552	41	7.4
Cecil	589	147	25.0
Charles	319	37	11.6
Dorchester	153	20	13.1
Frederick	326	37	11.3
Garrett	170	39	22.9
Harford	724	66	9.1
Howard	471	69	14.6
Kent	119	22	18.5
Montgomery	2910	365	12.5
Prince George's	2808	466	16.6
Queen Anne's	155	14	9.0
St. Mary's	236	35	14.8
Somerset	95	12	12.6
Talbot	118	37	31.4
Washington	221	139	62.9
Wicomico	299	40	13.4
Worcester	177	15	8.5
STATE	23,125	3995	17.3

in 1967-68, an increase of 6.8 percent.

Trials in 1650 law cases (41.3 percent) were tried with a jury while the remaining 2345 cases were tried by the court sitting without a jury.

The BALTIMORE CITY civil trial dockets are supervised by its Central Assignment Bureau which reported that more law cases were disposed of than were added to the trial dockets. Local Rule 528-L, adopted March 16, 1967, has proven to be effective in removing cases from Baltimore City's trial dockets due to their inactivity.

BALTIMORE CITY  
CENTRAL ASSIGNMENT BUREAU

FLOW OF CASES

LAW

(Jury, Non-Jury and Administrative Appeals Docketed)

	1963 <sup>a</sup>	1964 <sup>a</sup>	1965 <sup>a</sup>	1966 <sup>a</sup>	1967 <sup>b</sup>	1968 <sup>b</sup>	1969 <sup>b</sup>
Pending	5842	6985	7888	8889	9115	8022	7526
Cases Added	5425	4938	5211	4725	3129	4050	3921
Disposed Of	4282	4035	4210	4499	4222	4546	4705
Pending Year End	6985	7888	8889	9115	8022	7526	6742
Jury	6117	6846	7656	7733	6672	6138	5384
Non-Jury	812	1007	1182	1349	1296	1355	1317
Adm Appls	56	35	51	33	54	33	41

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EQUITY

(General Equity and Domestic Dockets)

	1963 <sup>a</sup>	1964 <sup>a</sup>	1965 <sup>a</sup>	1966 <sup>a</sup>	1967 <sup>b</sup>	1968 <sup>b</sup>	1969 <sup>b</sup>
Pending	600	537	596	746	693	639	514
Cases Added	851	794	821	677	449	521	567
Disposed Of	914	735	671	730	503	646	517
Pending Year End	537	596	746	693	639	514	564
General Equity	180	240	242	260	176	163	117
Domestic	357	356	504	433	463	351	447

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CASES DISPOSED OF

	1963 <sup>a</sup>	1964 <sup>a</sup>	1965 <sup>a</sup>	1966 <sup>a</sup>	1967 <sup>b</sup>	1968 <sup>b</sup>	1969 <sup>b</sup>
Verdicts and Judgments	1627	1287	1332	1318	935	1053	1157
Settled	2359	2419	2537	2815	2041	2657	2362
Non Pros or Dismissed by Court <sup>c</sup>	47	42	46	43	1053	576	940
Dismissed by Counsel	249	287	295	323	193	260	246
TOTAL	4282	4035	4210	4499	4222	4546	4705

Unnumbered Cases<sup>d</sup>

548	674	701	751	453	1006	995
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	1963 <sup>a</sup>	1964 <sup>a</sup>	1965 <sup>a</sup>	1966 <sup>a</sup>	1967 <sup>b</sup>	1968 <sup>b</sup>	1969 <sup>b</sup>
Decrees and Orders	523	439	368	382	231	280	235
Settled	110	98	131	169	94	115	79
Dismissed <sup>c</sup>	70	29	34	17	83	83	67
Referred to Examiner	211	169	138	162	95	168	136
TOTAL	914	735	671	730	503	646	517

(a) Covers period from January 1 to December 31.

(b) Covers period from September 1 to August 31.

(c) 1967, 1968 and 1969 figures include cases disposed of under Rule 528 L (no action taken in cases on consolidated docket 3 years or more).

(d) Includes verdicts in condemnation cases, judgments on inquisitions, hearings on summary judgment.

Continued improvement in the disposition of law cases by trial during 1968-69 was reflected in the fact that 52.2 percent were less than one year old at the time they were tried while 26.5 percent were between twelve and twenty-four months old. This compares with 51.5 and 23.8 percentages reported the previous year.

LAW cases (jury and non-jury) reached the TRIAL stage, on the average, 14.5 months after being filed. This was a very slight decrease when compared with the 1967-68 figure of 15.0. Baltimore

City, after having averaged 21.7 months for two consecutive years, realized a decrease to 21.2 months, duplicating a similar average for the year 1965-66. The four urban counties recorded a decrease from 12.1 months in 1967-68 to 11.5 this past year while the remaining counties reflected an increase from 10.0 to 10.6 months.

In Baltimore City the average amount of time expended from the placing of a law case on the consolidated trial docket to trial decreased from 19.4 months

LAW CASES (1968-69)					
TIME LAPSE BETWEEN FILING AND TRIAL WITH NUMBER TRIED					
	Time Lapse				
	State	Baltimore City	All Counties	Four Urban Counties <sup>a</sup>	Other 19 Counties
TOTAL Cases	14.5	21.2	11.2	11.5	10.6
JURY Cases	17.8	24.3	13.8	14.1	13.1
Motor Torts	19.4	25.5	14.5	15.0	13.5
Other Torts	18.0	25.6	14.4	14.5	14.2
Other Cases	14.9	20.7	12.5	12.3	12.6
NON-JURY Cases	12.3	18.4	9.6	9.9	9.1
Motor Torts	17.9	23.0	12.3	13.1	10.8
Other Torts	15.2	20.5	12.9	12.9	12.8
Other Cases	10.6	15.8	9.0	9.1	8.6
	Number Tried				
	State	Baltimore City	All Counties	Four Urban Counties <sup>a</sup>	Other 19 Counties
TOTAL Cases	3995	1352	2643	1746	897
JURY Cases	1650	648	1002	671	331
Motor Torts	923	420	503	362	141
Other Torts	200	67	133	108	25
Other Cases	527	161	366	201	165
NON-JURY Cases	2345	704	1641	1075	566
Motor Torts	436	229	207	138	69
Other Torts	151	46	105	75	30
Other Cases	1758	429	1329	862	467

(a) Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Montgomery, Prince George's.



CENTRAL ASSIGNMENT BUREAU  
BALTIMORE CITY  
Time Lapse<sup>a</sup>

	<u>1963-64</u>		<u>1964-65</u>		<u>1965-66</u>		<u>1966-67</u>		<u>1967-68</u>		<u>1968-69</u>	
	<u>Cases</u>	<u>Time Lapse</u>	<u>Cases</u>	<u>Time Lapse</u>	<u>Cases</u>	<u>Time Lapse</u>	<u>Cases</u>	<u>Time Lapse</u>	<u>Cases</u>	<u>Time Lapse</u>	<u>Cases</u>	<u>Time Lapse</u>
Jury and Non-Jury Cases	1242	14.7	1319	16.6	1025	17.6	1301	18.9	1142	19.4	1212	18.0
Jury	536	19.1	568	20.8	389	22.2	483	25.5	513	24.3	594	20.5
Non-Jury	706	11.4	751	13.4	636	14.8	818	15.0	629	15.4	618	15.6
Motor Torts												
Jury	347	19.6	362	21.4	273	22.9	335	25.7	358	24.8	405	21.2
Non-Jury	279	15.2	254	18.3	222	18.3	241	19.6	185	19.8	203	19.5
Other Torts												
Jury	83	21.6	77	23.5	41	24.8	55	28.8	74	25.9	63	21.8
Non-Jury	33	16.4	51	16.4	79	18.5	37	25.6	27	22.8	42	17.6
All Other Cases												
Jury	106	15.3	129	17.3	75	18.1	93	22.8	81	20.5	126	17.6
Non-Jury	394	8.5	446	10.5	335	11.1	540	12.1	417	12.9	373	13.3

(a) Average number of months elapsing between date case placed on trial docket and trial.

in 1967-68 to 18.0.

EQUITY actions filed during the past year numbered 25,149, over half of which (50.8 percent) were divorce proceedings. Equity hearings (4830) increased by 5.6 percent over the previous year (4572) and when compared with the figures for 1966-67 (3926) show a gain of 23.0 percent. Since figures relating to the age of equity matters heard contain both original suits and hearings on subsidiary matters, any average time lapse computations between original filings and hearings would be irrelevant in making a comparison with corresponding statistics in the law case area. Therefore, no average time lapses in equity hearings have been computed.

Virtually all of the increase in CRIMINAL cases filed statewide could be attributed to Baltimore City where

AVERAGE NUMBER OF MONTHS ELAPSING  
BETWEEN  
FILING AND TRIAL OF LAW CASES  
(Jury and Non-Jury)

	<u>State</u>	<u>Baltimore City</u>	<u>All Counties</u>	<u>Four Urban Counties</u>	<u>Other 19 Counties</u>
1961-62	11.8	14.3	10.1	11.0	8.2
1962-63	12.7	15.7	11.1	12.1	8.8
1963-64	13.4	16.1	10.7	11.2	9.2
1964-65	14.4	19.6	11.4	12.5	9.2
1965-66	14.9	21.2	12.3	14.0	9.9
1966-67	15.5	21.7	12.2	13.1	10.5
1967-68	15.0	21.7	11.4	12.1	10.0
1968-69	14.5	21.2	11.2	11.5	10.6

EQUITY HEARINGS REPORTED					
	Divorce	Adoption	Foreclosure	Other	Totals
FIRST CIRCUIT					
Dorchester	105	27	0	45	177
Somerset	2	0	0	3	5
Wicornico	19	0	0	15	34
Worcester	6	1	0	31	38
SECOND CIRCUIT					
Caroline	7	4	0	3	14
Cecil	112	36	0	64	212
Kent	3	10	0	1	14
Queen Anne's	3	4	0	13	20
Talbot	11	10	0	44	65
THIRD CIRCUIT					
Baltimore	455	173	7	226	861
Harford	33	2	7	35	77
FOURTH CIRCUIT					
Allegany	93	1	0	23	117
Garrett	10	13	0	13	36
Washington	78	80	0	62	220
FIFTH CIRCUIT					
Anne Arundel	107	6	13	133	259
Carroll	144	29	2	27	202
Howard	6	33	0	4	43
SIXTH CIRCUIT					
Frederick	11	51	0	28	90
Montgomery	432	88	10	139	669
SEVENTH CIRCUIT					
Calvert	6	11	1	6	24
Charles	8	23	1	19	51
Prince George's	306	701	11	109	1127
St. Mary's	49	31	0	35	115
EIGHTH CIRCUIT					
Baltimore City	82	17	0	261	360
TOTALS	2088	1351	52	1339	4830

CRIMINAL CASES  
Time Lapse<sup>a</sup>

<u>Jury</u>					<u>Non-Jury</u>			
<u>Baltimore City</u>	<u>Metropolitan Counties</u>	<u>Other 19 Counties</u>	<u>State</u>		<u>Baltimore City</u>	<u>Metropolitan Counties</u>	<u>Other 19 Counties</u>	<u>State</u>
4.4	3.5	3.9	3.8	1962-63	2.3	2.6	2.1	2.4
5.4	4.0	2.3	3.3	1963-64	3.1	3.1	3.6	3.4
4.3	4.4	3.8	3.9	1964-65	2.7	3.2	3.0	2.9
3.0	3.2	2.8	3.1	1965-66	1.8	2.6	3.1	2.2
5.8	3.8	3.1	4.0	1966-67	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.1
6.8	4.9	2.3	4.4	1967-68	4.0	3.1	2.8	3.5
6.6	4.6	3.1	4.6	1968-69	5.1	3.2	3.3	4.3

(a) Average number of months between filing and trial.

59.1 percent of the 23,280 filings originated. While Anne Arundel, Baltimore and Prince George's Counties noted an upward trend, Montgomery County experienced a decrease in 1968-69. Although the number of appeals from the courts of limited jurisdiction was lower than in the previous year they still accounted for (5093) 21.9 percent of the total criminal case load. Appeals filed in Baltimore City numbered 1945.

CRIMINAL TRIALS held during 1968-69 totaled 13,482, an increase of 13.9 percent over the previous year. The major portion of this increase can be attributed to Baltimore City where 7545 such trials were held last year as compared to 6073 the year before. The number of defendants electing trial by jury continued to be rather low both statewide, where but 1056 (7.8 percent) such trials were held, and in Baltimore City which reported 232 (3.1 percent). The average amount of time required to bring a criminal case to trial, after it had been filed, rose slightly both in jury and non-jury cases. Last year's averages were 4.6 months in jury trials and 4.3 months in non-jury trials compared to 4.4 and 3.5, respectively,

CRIMINAL CASES TRIED

	<u>1961-62</u>	<u>1962-63</u>	<u>1963-64</u>	<u>1964-65</u>	<u>1965-66</u>	<u>1966-67</u>	<u>1967-68</u>	<u>1968-69</u>
<b>FIRST CIRCUIT</b>								
Dorchester	138	143	70	47	87	89	95	129
Somerset	76	90	192	120	70	61	45	34
Wicomico	120	105	119	241	177	178	108	75
Worcester	155	83	68	131	109	115	119	98
<b>SECOND CIRCUIT</b>								
Caroline	48	48	44	29	8	22	38	41
Cecil	125	129	199	166	136	87	112	206
Kent	106	84	98	160	178	95	94	106
Queen Anne's	44	73	66	39	66	49	77	38
Talbot	172	122	171	232	116	94	127	68
<b>THIRD CIRCUIT</b>								
Baltimore	1165	1357	1651	1414	1255	1382	1363	1430
Harford	148	229	181	248	163	222	193	317
<b>FOURTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Allegany	132	153	215	120	109	108	180	171
Garrett	58	62	66	82	51	43	69	45
Washington	236	243	253	299	245	228	209	180
<b>FIFTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Anne Arundel	484	452	580	606	655	680	710	802
Carroll	28	41	32	60	110	95	120	141
Howard	125	137	117	95	120	139	128	153
<b>SIXTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Frederick	100	117	145	100	92	72	89	108
Montgomery	638	706	615	596	451	308	458	476
<b>SEVENTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Calvert	115	134	110	65	88	144	130	161
Charles	47	55	28	89	85	102	116	99
Prince George's	386	447	557	510	736	802	1043	900
St. Mary's	99	92	99	91	52	130	139	159
<b>EIGHTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Baltimore City	5251	5587	5488	6556	5889	5458	6073	7545
<b>STATE</b>	9996	10,689	11,164	12,096	11,048	10,703	11,835	13,482

APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW OF CRIMINAL SENTENCES

July 1, 1968 - June 30, 1969

	Filed During Year	Terminated			
		Withdrawn by Applicant	Considered and Disposed of		
			Original Sentence Unchanged	Original Sentence Increased	Original Sentence Decreased
FIRST CIRCUIT					
Dorchester	0	0	0	0	0
Somerset	0	0	0	0	0
Wicomico	0	0	2	0	2
Worcester	3	0	3	0	0
SECOND CIRCUIT					
Caroline	5	0	4	0	0
Cecil	12	0	4	0	0
Kent	7	0	0	0	0
Queen Anne's	1	0	1	0	0
Talbot	3	1	1	0	0
THIRD CIRCUIT					
Baltimore	25	1	17	0	0
Harford	0	0	0	0	0
FOURTH CIRCUIT					
Allegany	3	0	1	0	2
Garrett	2	0	0	0	2
Washington	0	0	0	0	0
FIFTH CIRCUIT					
Anne Arundel	3	1	3	0	1
Carroll	2	0	2	0	0
Howard	5	0	5	0	0
SIXTH CIRCUIT					
Frederick	0	0	0	0	0
Montgomery	18	0	21	0	1
SEVENTH CIRCUIT					
Calvert	6	0	3	0	0
Charles	3	1	2	0	0
Prince George's	42	1	34	0	0
St. Mary's	2	0	1	0	0
EIGHTH CIRCUIT					
Baltimore City	65	8	53	0	4
STATE	207	13	157	0	12

during 1967-68. The major portion of criminal cases (58.9 percent) were less than 4.0 months in age at the time of trial while 95.4 percent were disposed of in less than one year.

Filings under the "Review of Criminal Sentences" procedure in Maryland, instituted on July 1, 1966, increased for the third straight year although it is still not used to any large extent. The 207 applications reported from July 1, 1968 to June 30, 1969 brought the total docketed over the three year span to 480. During the first year of the procedure 125 applications were filed. That figure increased to 148 the second year. The past year's figure marked an increase of 39.9 percent over the prior year. Of the 169 applications considered from July 1, 1968 to June 30, 1969, sentences were reduced in 12 instances and unchanged in 157 others. No sentences were increased. In the three years of the procedure's existence, only on three occasions have sentences been increased. The provision that allows the review panel of three judges to increase as well as decrease a sentence has apparently deterred the filing of a large number of applications for review of criminal sentences.

Petitions for the issuance of writs of HABEAS CORPUS and those for POST CONVICTION relief increased over those figures of 1967-68 as 1032 and 439 were recorded in 1968-69 compared to 830 and 410 of the previous year. Baltimore City docketed the largest numbers, 661 habeas corpus and 276 post conviction petitions, both categories showing increases from the figures filed in 1967-68.

The judges of the trial courts of general jurisdiction filed memorandum opinions disposing of 372 habeas corpus and 306 post conviction petitions with the Administrative Office during the year as required by the Maryland Rules of Procedure. In addition, judges of the United States District Court for the District of

HABEAS CORPUS AND POST CONVICTION CASES FILED														
	Habeas Corpus							Post Conviction						
	1962-63	1963-64	1964-65	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69	1962-63	1963-64	1964-65	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69
FIRST CIRCUIT														
Dorchester	0	0	0	3	2	3	5	2	1	1	0	0	3	0
Somerset	3	1	0	5	2	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	1	0
Wicomico	4	1	3	3	2	7	4	6	4	3	5	3	3	0
Worcester	4	2	3	6	3	1	6	3	4	2	5	4	2	2
SECOND CIRCUIT														
Caroline	2	2	5	4	0	1	9	3	3	3	2	1	0	4
Cecil	2	7	6	15	12	20	29	1	0	0	7	6	8	6
Kent	4	3	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Queen Anne's	7	3	1	3	1	2	4	5	0	2	0	0	1	3
Talbot	8	4	1	5	3	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
THIRD CIRCUIT														
Baltimore	58	80	73	56	59	71	91	19	17	27	33	25	30	42
Harford	3	6	11	9	1	13	7	8	3	4	5	2	4	2
FOURTH CIRCUIT														
Allegany	3	2	2	4	3	2	2	5	12	13	12	8	10	4
Garrett	1	0	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	2	1	4	0	1
Washington	42	16	16	15	10	5	9	13	16	13	13	15	4	3
FIFTH CIRCUIT														
Anne Arundel	24	24	23	32	38	42	50	24	9	7	21	19	21	22
Carroll	1	2	6	4	1	6	6	3	2	5	7	5	4	2
Howard	25	11	20	16	9	15	13	8	11	17	5	4	3	4
SIXTH CIRCUIT														
Frederick	3	3	2	1	8	6	3	6	1	1	3	3	2	6
Montgomery	0	0	0	0	0	47	47	0	0	0	0	0	7	8
SEVENTH CIRCUIT														
Calvert	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	3	4	7
Charles	18	4	15	14	9	14	2	9	2	1	1	3	4	5
Prince George's	30	34	32	44	41	66	72	17	7	27	40	37	51	42
St. Mary's	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EIGHTH CIRCUIT														
Baltimore City	183	236	215	314	368	502	661	227	161	194	299	303	248	276
TOTALS	425	442	438	555	575	830	1032	359	253	323	461	446	410	439

Maryland also made available, on a voluntary basis, 234 opinions in federal habeas corpus proceedings.

JUVENILE causes registered the lowest number of new filings in 1968-69 since the year 1963-64 as only 17,886 were docketed while 18,552 dispositions were recorded. Juveniles charged with delinquency accounted for 14,170 filings, followed by 3195 matters relating to dependent and neglected children and 521 adults with contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Terminations totaled 14,790, 3268 and 494 in the respective categories. In the metropolitan areas, Baltimore City and Baltimore and Prince George's Counties reported substantial decreases in new filings as compared to the previous year while only Anne Arundel and Montgomery

Counties reflected increases.

Juvenile causes are heard at the circuit court level in all political subdivisions except Montgomery County, where the juvenile division of the People's Court exercises jurisdiction in such cases. The jurisdiction of the juvenile division of that Court also extends to individuals, under the age of eighteen years, charged with violations of the motor vehicle laws. A total of 5002 such motor vehicle cases were disposed of by that Court in 1968-69. This figure is included in the tabulation of hearings but not in the tabulation of juvenile causes filed and terminated since the latter are confined solely to juvenile causes.



TABLE A-1

**LAW, CRIMINAL AND EQUITY CASES  
FILED AND TERMINATED  
IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969

	FILED			TERMINATED		
	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS
<b>TOTAL—FIRST CIRCUIT</b>	2559	2280	279	2449	2131	318
<b>LAW</b>	709	666	43	724	683	41
<b>EQUITY</b>	1183	1183	0	1104	1104	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	667	431	236	621	344	277
<b>DORCHESTER COUNTY</b>	544	452	92	593	526	67
<b>LAW</b>	148	140	8	153	153	0
<b>EQUITY</b>	260	260	0	311	311	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	136	52	84	129	62	67
<b>SOMERSET COUNTY</b>	322	295	27	279	254	25
<b>LAW</b>	92	85	7	95	91	4
<b>EQUITY</b>	151	151	0	131	131	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	79	59	20	53	32	21
<b>WICOMICO COUNTY</b>	1097	978	119	989	809	180
<b>LAW</b>	285	265	20	299	269	30
<b>EQUITY</b>	579	579	0	458	458	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	233	134	99	232	82	150
<b>WORCESTER COUNTY</b>	596	555	41	588	542	46
<b>LAW</b>	184	176	8	177	170	7
<b>EQUITY</b>	193	193	0	204	204	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	219	186	33	207	168	39

TABLE A-2

**LAW, CRIMINAL AND EQUITY CASES  
FILED AND TERMINATED  
IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969

	FILED			TERMINATED		
	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS
<b>TOTAL—SECOND CIRCUIT</b>	2788	2618	170	2525	2324	201
<b>LAW</b>	1181	1149	32	1094	1054	40
<b>EQUITY</b>	998	998	0	865	865	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	609	471	138	566	405	161
<b>CAROLINE COUNTY</b>	365	335	30	340	318	22
<b>LAW</b>	143	137	6	113	113	0
<b>EQUITY</b>	134	134	0	148	148	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	88	64	24	79	57	22
<b>CECIL COUNTY</b>	1277	1228	49	1122	1050	72
<b>LAW</b>	642	631	11	589	571	18
<b>EQUITY</b>	430	430	0	321	321	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	205	167	38	212	158	54
<b>KENT COUNTY</b>	429	387	42	437	389	48
<b>LAW</b>	120	117	3	119	116	3
<b>EQUITY</b>	138	138	0	143	143	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	171	132	39	175	130	45
<b>QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY</b>	371	341	30	325	288	37
<b>LAW</b>	153	145	8	155	143	12
<b>EQUITY</b>	125	125	0	110	110	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	93	71	22	60	35	25
<b>TALBOT COUNTY</b>	346	327	19	301	279	22
<b>LAW</b>	123	119	4	118	111	7
<b>EQUITY</b>	171	171	0	143	143	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	52	37	15	40	25	15

TABLE A-3

**LAW, CRIMINAL AND EQUITY CASES  
FILED AND TERMINATED  
IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND  
SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969**

	FILED			TERMINATED		
	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS
<b>TOTAL-THIRD CIRCUIT</b>	9141	8171	970	9568	8548	1020
<b>LAW</b>	3212	2776	436	3212	2737	475
<b>EQUITY</b>	3544	3544	0	3935	3935	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	2385	1851	534	2421	1876	545
<b>BALTIMORE COUNTY</b>	7478	6658	820	7373	6525	848
<b>LAW</b>	2595	2229	366	2488	2094	394
<b>EQUITY</b>	2847	2847	0	2813	2813	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	2036	1582	454	2072	1618	454
<b>HARFORD COUNTY</b>	1663	1513	150	2195	2023	172
<b>LAW</b>	617	547	70	724	643	81
<b>EQUITY</b>	697	697	0	1122	1122	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	349	269	80	349	258	91

TABLE A-4

**LAW, CRIMINAL AND EQUITY CASES  
FILED AND TERMINATED  
IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND  
SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969**

	FILED			TERMINATED		
	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS
<b>TOTAL-FOURTH CIRCUIT</b>	2979	2713	266	3228	2981	247
<b>LAW</b>	1107	1016	91	855	772	83
<b>EQUITY</b>	1318	1318	0	1830	1830	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	554	379	175	543	379	164
<b>ALLEGANY COUNTY</b>	1282	1172	110	1298	1163	135
<b>LAW</b>	479	437	42	464	406	58
<b>EQUITY</b>	532	532	0	533	533	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	271	203	68	301	224	77
<b>GARRETT COUNTY</b>	341	321	20	351	340	11
<b>LAW</b>	159	157	2	170	169	1
<b>EQUITY</b>	120	120	0	129	129	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	62	44	18	52	42	10
<b>WASHINGTON COUNTY</b>	1356	1220	136	1579	1478	101
<b>LAW</b>	469	422	47	221	197	24
<b>EQUITY</b>	666	666	0	1168	1168	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	221	132	89	190	113	77

TABLE A-5

**LAW, CRIMINAL AND EQUITY CASES  
FILED AND TERMINATED  
IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND  
SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969**

	FILED			TERMINATED		
	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS
<b>TOTAL-FIFTH CIRCUIT</b>	6683	6077	606	5929	5446	483
<b>LAW</b>	2605	2439	166	2292	2192	100
<b>EQUITY</b>	2344	2344	0	2236	2236	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	1734	1294	440	1401	1018	383
<b>ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY</b>	4547	4146	401	4098	3771	327
<b>LAW</b>	1542	1436	106	1269	1210	59
<b>EQUITY</b>	1731	1731	0	1799	1799	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	1274	979	295	1030	762	268
<b>CARROLL COUNTY</b>	991	914	77	946	890	56
<b>LAW</b>	556	526	30	552	532	20
<b>EQUITY</b>	297	297	0	251	251	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	138	91	47	143	107	36
<b>HOWARD COUNTY</b>	1145	1017	128	885	785	100
<b>LAW</b>	507	477	30	471	450	21
<b>EQUITY</b>	316	316	0	186	186	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	322	224	98	228	149	79

TABLE A-6

**LAW, CRIMINAL AND EQUITY CASES  
FILED AND TERMINATED  
IN THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND  
SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969**

	FILED			TERMINATED		
	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS
<b>TOTAL-SIXTH CIRCUIT</b>	7740	7086	654	6840	6265	575
<b>LAW</b>	3862	3566	296	3236	3023	213
<b>EQUITY</b>	2920	2920	0	2726	2726	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	958	600	358	878	516	362
<b>FREDERICK COUNTY</b>	1041	932	109	990	886	104
<b>LAW</b>	332	306	26	326	314	12
<b>EQUITY</b>	508	508	0	481	481	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	201	118	83	183	91	92
<b>MONTGOMERY COUNTY</b>	6699	6154	545	5850	5379	471
<b>LAW</b>	3530	3260	270	2910	2709	201
<b>EQUITY</b>	2412	2412	0	2245	2245	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	757	482	275	695	425	270

TABLE A-7

**LAW, CRIMINAL AND EQUITY CASES  
FILED AND TERMINATED  
IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND  
SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969**

	FILED			TERMINATED		
	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS
<b>TOTAL-SEVENTH CIRCUIT</b>	11, 115	9595	1520	11, 538	9837	1701
<b>LAW</b>	3655	3402	253	3613	3318	295
<b>EQUITY</b>	4840	4840	0	5256	5256	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	2620	1353	1267	2669	1263	1406
<b>CALVERT COUNTY</b>	630	523	107	591	476	115
<b>LAW</b>	295	280	15	250	241	9
<b>EQUITY</b>	174	174	0	171	171	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	161	69	92	170	64	106
<b>CHARLES COUNTY</b>	858	704	154	845	682	163
<b>LAW</b>	350	335	15	319	295	24
<b>EQUITY</b>	242	242	0	258	258	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	266	127	139	268	129	139
<b>PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY</b>	8751	7609	1142	9238	7954	1284
<b>LAW</b>	2757	2549	208	2808	2560	248
<b>EQUITY</b>	4039	4039	0	4435	4435	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	1955	1021	934	1995	959	1036
<b>ST. MARY'S COUNTY</b>	876	759	117	864	725	139
<b>LAW</b>	253	238	15	236	222	14
<b>EQUITY</b>	385	385	0	392	392	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	238	136	102	236	111	125

TABLE A-8

**LAW, CRIMINAL AND EQUITY CASES  
FILED AND TERMINATED  
IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969

	FILED			TERMINATED		
	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS
<b>TOTAL—EIGHTH CIRCUIT</b>						
<b>BALTIMORE CITY</b>	30,659	27,324	3335	27,326	24,303	3023
<b>TOTAL—LAW COURTS</b>	8904	7514	1390	8099	7115	984
<b>SUPERIOR COURT</b>	5343	5029	314	4762	4490	272
<b>COMMON PLEAS</b>	396	375	21	407	382	25
<b>BALTIMORE CITY</b>	3165	2110	1055	2930	2243	687
<b>TOTAL—EQUITY COURTS</b>	8002	8002	0	7135	7135	0
<b>CIRCUIT COURT</b>	3345	3345	0	3130	3130	0
<b>CIRCUIT COURT No. 2</b>	4657	4657	0	4005	4005	0
<b>TOTAL—CRIMINAL COURTS</b>	13,753	11,808	1945	12,092	10,053	2039

**LAW, CRIMINAL AND EQUITY CASES  
FILED AND TERMINATED  
IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969

	FILED			TERMINATED		
	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS	CASES AND APPEALS	CASES	APPEALS
<b>TOTAL—STATE OF MARYLAND</b>	73,664	65,864	7800	69,403	61,835	7568
<b>LAW</b>	25,235	22,528	2707	23,125	20,894	2231
<b>EQUITY</b>	25,149	25,149	0	25,087	25,087	0
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	23,280	18,187	5093	21,191	15,854	5337



TABLE B-1

**DISTRIBUTION, WITH PERCENTAGES, OF CASES AND APPEALS FILED  
IN THE COURTS OF MARYLAND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969

	STATE		FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT							
	ALL JUDICIAL CIRCUITS		DORCHESTER		SOMERSET		WICOMICO		WORCESTER	
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
<b>LAW (TOTAL)</b>	25,235	100.0	148	100.0	92	100.0	285	100.0	184	100.0
MOTOR TORT	8932	35.4	27	18.3	16	17.4	93	32.6	20	10.9
OTHER TORT	1776	7.0	0	0.0	1	1.1	8	2.8	0	0.0
CONFESSED JUDGMENTS	3039	12.1	19	12.8	30	32.6	77	27.0	65	35.3
OTHER CONTRACT	4718	18.7	37	25.0	29	31.5	64	22.5	44	23.9
CONDEMNATION	682	2.7	4	2.7	5	5.4	2	0.7	2	1.1
HABEAS CORPUS	1032	4.1	5	3.4	1	1.1	4	1.4	6	3.3
POST CONVICTION	159	0.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	1.1
OTHER	2190	8.7	48	32.4	3	3.3	17	6.0	37	20.1
<b>APPEALS —</b>										
PEOPLE'S / MAGISTRATES	1670	6.6	1	0.7	3	3.3	9	3.1	3	1.6
OTHER	1037	4.1	7	4.7	4	4.3	11	3.9	5	2.7
<b>EQUITY (TOTAL)</b>	25,149	100.0	260	100.0	151	100.0	579	100.0	193	100.0
ADOPTION	3700	14.7	31	11.9	20	13.2	62	10.7	22	11.4
DIVORCE	12,765	50.7	141	54.3	75	49.7	325	56.1	82	42.5
FORECLOSURE	1863	7.4	11	4.2	14	9.3	43	7.4	17	8.9
PATERNITY	1324	5.3	44	16.9	26	17.2	81	14.0	36	18.6
OTHER	5497	21.9	33	12.7	16	10.6	68	11.8	36	18.6
<b>CRIMINAL (TOTAL)</b>	23,280	100.0	136	100.0	79	100.0	233	100.0	219	100.0
DESERTION	2950	12.7	0	0.0	1	1.3	0	0.0	0	0.0
OTHER	15,237	65.4	52	38.2	58	73.4	134	57.5	186	84.9
<b>APPEALS —</b>										
TRAFFIC	2459	10.6	19	14.0	14	17.7	77	33.1	24	11.0
OTHER	2634	11.3	65	47.8	6	7.6	22	9.4	9	4.1

TABLE B-2

**DISTRIBUTION, WITH PERCENTAGES, OF CASES AND APPEALS FILED  
IN THE COURTS OF MARYLAND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969

	SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT									
	CAROLINE		CECIL		KENT		QUEEN ANNE'S		TALBOT	
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
<b>LAW (TOTAL)</b>	143	100.0	642	100.0	120	100.0	153	100.0	123	100.0
MOTOR TORT	10	7.0	81	12.6	24	20.0	36	23.5	24	19.5
OTHER TORT	1	0.7	11	1.7	13	10.9	2	1.3	11	9.0
CONFESSED JUDGMENTS	39	27.2	192	29.9	36	30.0	35	22.9	38	30.9
OTHER CONTRACT	61	42.7	136	21.2	31	25.8	55	35.9	2	1.6
CONDEMNATION	2	1.4	2	0.3	0	0.0	1	0.7	0	0.0
HABEAS CORPUS	9	6.3	29	4.5	0	0.0	4	2.6	7	5.7
POST CONVICTION	4	2.8	6	0.9	0	0.0	[3] <sup>a</sup>	0.0	0	0.0
OTHER	11	7.7	174	27.1	13	10.8	12	7.9	37	30.1
<b>APPEALS —</b>										
PEOPLE'S / MAGISTRATES	2	1.4	10	1.6	1	0.8	8	5.2	2	1.6
OTHER	4	2.8	1	0.2	2	1.7	0	0.0	2	1.6
<b>EQUITY (TOTAL)</b>	134	100.0	430	100.0	138	100.0	125	100.0	171	100.0
ADOPTION	18	13.4	68	15.8	19	13.8	8	6.4	13	7.6
DIVORCE	62	46.2	202	47.0	76	55.1	44	35.2	62	36.3
FORECLOSURE	10	7.5	30	7.0	7	5.0	11	8.8	2	1.2
PATERNITY	10	7.5	66	15.3	9	6.5	22	17.6	35	20.4
OTHER	34	25.4	64	14.9	27	19.6	40	32.0	59	34.5
<b>CRIMINAL (TOTAL)</b>	88	100.0	205	100.0	171	100.0	93	100.0	52	100.0
DESERTION	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
OTHER	64	72.8	167	81.5	132	77.2	71 <sup>b</sup>	76.4	37	71.2
<b>APPEALS —</b>										
TRAFFIC	12	13.6	21	10.2	29	16.9	10	10.7	8	15.4
OTHER	12	13.6	17	8.3	10	5.9	12	12.9	7	13.4

(a) Not included in total

(b) Three Post Conviction cases included

TABLE B-3

**DISTRIBUTION, WITH PERCENTAGES, OF CASES AND APPEALS FILED  
IN THE COURTS OF MARYLAND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969

	THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT				FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT					
	BALTIMORE		HARFORD		ALLEGANY		GARRETT		WASHINGTON	
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
<b>LAW (TOTAL)</b>	2595	100.0	617	100.0	479	100.0	159	100.0	469	100.0
MOTOR TORT	1122	43.2	146	23.7	89	18.6	25	15.7	86	18.4
OTHER TORT	203	7.8	9	1.5	19	4.0	1	0.6	10	2.1
CONFESSED JUDGMENTS	131	5.1	198	32.0	162	33.8	44	27.7	58	12.4
OTHER CONTRACT	446	17.2	112	18.2	84	17.5	2	1.3	195	41.6
CONDEMNATION	126	4.9	7	1.1	21	4.4	19	11.9	7	1.5
HABEAS CORPUS	91	3.5	7	1.1	2	0.4	1	0.6	9	1.9
POST CONVICTION	42	1.6	2	0.3	4	0.8	[1] <sup>a</sup>	0.0	3	0.6
OTHER	68	2.6	66	10.7	56	11.7	65	40.9	54	11.5
<b>APPEALS —</b>										
PEOPLE'S / MAGISTRATES	258	9.9	48	7.8	20	4.2	0	0.0	30	6.4
OTHER	108	4.2	22	3.6	22	4.6	2	1.3	17	3.6
<b>EQUITY (TOTAL)</b>	2847	100.0	697	100.0	532	100.0	120	100.0	666	100.0
ADOPTION	346	12.2	124	17.8	79	14.9	15	12.5	96	14.4
DIVORCE	1528	53.7	237	34.0	308	57.9	48	40.0	364	54.7
FORECLOSURE	220	7.7	31	4.4	17	3.2	5	4.2	30	4.5
PATERNITY	144	5.0	61	8.8	39	7.3	3	2.5	79	11.8
OTHER	609	21.4	244	35.0	89	16.7	49	40.8	97	14.6
<b>CRIMINAL (TOTAL)</b>	2036	100.0	349	100.0	271	100.0	62	100.0	221	100.0
DESERTION	202	9.9	3	0.9	96	35.4	0	0.0	0	0.0
OTHER	1380	67.8	266	76.2	107	39.4	44 <sup>b</sup>	71.0	132	59.7
<b>APPEALS —</b>										
TRAFFIC	347	17.0	58	16.6	34	12.6	14	22.5	36	16.3
OTHER	107	5.3	22	6.3	34	12.6	4	6.5	53	24.0

(a) Not included in total

(b) One Post Conviction case included

TABLE B-4

DISTRIBUTION, WITH PERCENTAGES, OF CASES AND APPEALS FILED  
IN THE COURTS OF MARYLAND

SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969

	FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT						SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT			
	ANNE ARUNDEL		CARROLL		HOWARD		FREDERICK		MONTGOMERY	
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
LAW (TOTAL)	1542	100.0	556	100.0	507	100.0	332	100.0	3530	100.0
MOTOR TORT	492	31.9	83	14.9	111	21.9	83	25.0	605	17.1
OTHER TORT	68	4.4	37	6.7	84	16.6	10	3.0	197	5.6
CONFESED JUDGMENTS	140	9.1	188	33.8	157	31.0	105	31.7	293	8.3
OTHER CONTRACT	518	33.6	148	26.6	0	0.0	70	21.1	1262	35.8
CONDEMNATION	56	3.6	5	0.9	41	8.1	16	4.8	50	1.4
HABEAS CORPUS	50	3.2	6	1.0	13	2.6	3	0.9	47	1.3
POST CONVICTION	22	1.4	2	0.4	4	0.8	6	1.8	8	0.3
OTHER	90	5.9	57	10.3	67	13.2	13	3.9	798	22.6
APPEALS —										
PEOPLE'S / MAGISTRATES	52	3.4	7	1.3	20	3.9	4	1.2	191	5.4
OTHER	54	3.5	23	4.1	10	1.9	22	6.6	79	2.2
EQUITY (TOTAL)	1731	100.0	297	100.0	316	100.0	508	100.0	2412	100.0
ADOPTION	197	11.4	50	16.8	51	16.1	77	15.2	388	16.1
DIVORCE	926	53.5	148	49.8	144	45.6	267	52.6	1086	45.0
FORECLOSURE	160	9.2	20	6.8	32	10.1	22	4.3	99	4.1
PATERNITY	178	10.3	20	6.8	3	1.0	52	10.2	81	3.4
OTHER	270	15.6	59	19.8	86	27.2	90	17.7	758	31.4
CRIMINAL (TOTAL)	1274	100.0	138	100.0	322	100.0	201	100.0	757	100.0
DESERTION	136	10.7	0	0.0	24	7.5	0	0.0	0	0.0
OTHER	843	66.2	91	65.9	200	62.1	118	58.7	482	63.7
APPEALS —										
TRAFFIC	177	13.9	19	13.8	43	13.3	32	15.9	76	10.0
OTHER	118	9.2	28	20.3	55	17.1	51	25.4	199	26.3

TABLE B-5

**DISTRIBUTION, WITH PERCENTAGES, OF CASES AND APPEALS FILED  
IN THE COURTS OF MARYLAND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969

	SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT								EIGHTH <sup>a</sup>	
	CALVERT		CHARLES		PRINCE GEORGE'S		ST. MARY'S		BALTIMORE CITY	
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
<b>LAW (TOTAL)</b>	295	100.0	350	100.0	2757	100.0	253	100.0	8904	100.0
MOTOR TORT	101	34.2	97	27.7	935	33.9	74	29.2	4552	51.1
OTHER TORT	35	11.9	22	6.3	340	12.3	15	5.9	679	7.6
CONFESSED JUDGMENTS	26	8.8	77	22.0	324	11.8	42	16.6	563	6.3
OTHER CONTRACT	59	20.0	89	25.4	502	18.2	42	16.6	730	8.2
CONDEMNATION	18	6.1	33	9.4	111	4.0	22	8.7	132	1.5
HABEAS CORPUS	2	0.7	2	0.6	72	2.6	1	0.4	661	7.4
POST CONVICTION	7	2.4	5	1.4	42	1.5	0	0.0	[276] <sup>a</sup>	0.0
OTHER	32	10.8	10	2.9	223	8.1	42	16.6	197	2.2
<b>APPEALS —</b>										
PEOPLE'S / MAGISTRATES	15	5.1	10	2.9	110	4.0	8	3.2	858	9.7
OTHER	0	0.0	5	1.4	98	3.6	7	2.8	532	6.0
<b>EQUITY (TOTAL)</b>	174	100.0	242	100.0	4039	100.0	385	100.0	8002	100.0
ADOPTION	19	10.9	22	9.1	726	18.0	37	9.6	1212	15.2
DIVORCE	70	40.2	72	29.8	2408	59.6	210	54.5	3880	48.5
FORECLOSURE	22	12.7	23	9.5	311	7.7	26	6.8	700	8.7
PATERNITY	37	21.3	47	19.4	190	4.7	61	15.8	[4241] <sup>a</sup>	0.0
OTHER	26	14.9	78	32.2	404	10.0	51	13.3	2210	27.6
<b>CRIMINAL (TOTAL)</b>	161	100.0	266	100.0	1955	100.0	238	100.0	13,753	100.0
DESERTION	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2488	18.1
OTHER	69	42.9	127	47.7	1021	52.2	136	57.1	9320 <sup>b</sup>	67.8
<b>APPEALS —</b>										
TRAFFIC	20	12.4	21	7.9	232	11.9	59	24.8	1077	7.8
OTHER	72	44.7	118	44.4	702	35.9	43	18.1	868	6.3

(a) Not included in totals

(b) 276 Post Conviction cases included

<sup>a</sup> EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

TABLE C-1

## DISTRIBUTION OF CASES FILED IN THE COURTS OF MARYLAND

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

	Dorchester	Somerset	Wicomico	Worcester	Caroline	Cecil	Kent	Queen Anne's	Tilbot	Baltimore	Hartford	Allegheny	Garrett	Washington	Anne Arundel	Carroll	Howard	Frederick	Montgomery	Calvert	Charles	Prince George's	S. Mary's	Baltimore City	TOTALS
LAW - TOTALS	148	92	285	184	143	642	120	153	123	2595	617	479	159	469	1542	556	507	332	3530	295	350	2757	253	8904	25,235
Motor Tort	27	16	93	20	10	81	24	36	24	1122	146	89	25	86	492	83	111	83	605	101	97	935	74	4552	8932
Other Tort	0	1	8	0	1	11	13	2	11	203	9	19	1	10	68	37	84	10	197	35	22	340	15	679	1776
Confessed Judgments	19	30	77	65	39	192	36	35	38	131	198	162	44	58	140	188	157	105	293	26	77	324	42	563	3039
Other Contract	37	29	64	44	61	136	31	55	2	446	112	84	2	195	518	148	0	70	1262	59	89	502	42	730	4718
Condemnation	4	5	2	2	2	2	0	1	0	126	7	21	19	7	56	5	41	16	50	18	33	111	22	132	682
Habeas Corpus	5	1	4	6	9	29	0	4	7	91	7	2	1	9	50	6	13	3	47	2	2	72	1	661	1032
Post Conviction <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0	2	4	6	0	[3]	0	42	2	4	[1]	3	22	2	4	6	8	7	5	42	0	[276]	159
Other	48	3	17	37	11	174	13	12	37	68	66	56	65	54	90	57	67	13	798	32	10	223	42	197	2190
Appeals: Magistrate <sup>b</sup>	1	3	9	3	2	10	1	8	2	258	48	20	0	30	52	7	20	4	191	15	10	110	8	858	1670
Other	7	4	11	5	4	1	2	0	2	108	22	22	2	17	54	23	10	22	79	0	5	98	7	532	1037
EQUITY - TOTALS	260	151	579	193	134	430	138	125	171	2847	697	532	120	666	1731	297	316	508	2412	174	242	4039	385	8002	25,149
Adoption	31	20	62	22	18	68	19	8	13	346	124	79	15	96	197	50	51	77	388	19	22	726	37	1212	3700
Divorce, etc.	141	75	325	82	62	202	76	44	62	1528	237	308	48	364	926	148	144	267	1086	70	72	2408	210	3880	12,765
Foreclosure	11	14	43	17	10	30	7	11	2	220	31	17	5	30	160	20	32	22	99	22	23	311	26	700	1863
Paternity <sup>c</sup>	44	26	81	36	10	66	9	22	35	144	61	39	3	79	178	20	3	52	81	37	47	190	61	[4241]	1324
Other	33	16	68	36	34	64	27	40	59	609	244	89	49	97	270	59	86	90	758	26	78	404	51	2210	5497
CRIMINAL - TOTALS	136	79	233	219	88	205	171	93	52	2036	349	271	62	221	1274	138	322	201	757	161	266	1955	238	13,753	23,280
Desertion, etc.	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	202	3	96	0	0	136	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	2488	2950
Other	52	58	134	186	64	167	132	71	37	1380	266	107	44	132	843	91	200	118	482	69	127	1021	136	9320	15,237
Magistrate Appeals: <sup>d</sup> Traffic Law	19	14	77	24	12	21	29	10	8	347	58	34	14	36	177	19	43	32	76	20	21	232	59	1077	2459
Other	65	6	22	9	12	17	10	12	7	107	22	34	4	53	118	28	55	51	199	72	118	702	43	868	2634

(a) Post Conviction cases totaling 280 in Queen Anne's and Garrett Counties and Baltimore City not reflected in totals.

(b) Appeals from People's Courts included.

(c) 4241 Paternity Petitions filed in Baltimore City not reflected in totals.

(d) Appeals from People's Courts and the Municipal Court of Baltimore City included.

TABLE C-2

## DISTRIBUTION OF CASES TERMINATED IN THE COURTS OF MARYLAND

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

	Dorchester	Somerset	Wicomico	Worcester	Caroline	Cecil	Kent	Queen Anne's	Talbot	Baltimore	Harford	Allegany	Garrett	Washington	Anne Arundel	Carroll	Howard	Frederick	Montgomery	Calvert	Charles	Prince George's	St. Mary's	Baltimore City	TOTALS
LAW - TOTALS	153	95	299	177	113	589	119	155	118	2488	724	464	170	221	1269	552	471	326	2910	250	319	2808	236	8099	23,125
Motor Tort	21	20	95	20	12	80	18	28	25	1038	146	90	23	29	405	33	103	81	503	74	77	923	50	4341	8235
Other Tort	0	3	8	0	0	15	8	0	4	221	35	16	3	4	51	44	67	4	152	18	20	362	31	634	1700
Confessed Judgments	19	30	77	65	39	192	36	35	38	131	198	162	44	58	140	188	157	105	293	26	77	324	42	563	3039
Other Contract	43	27	66	52	37	146	33	38	4	424	98	95	0	57	465	142	0	97	905	76	77	457	38	662	4039
Condemnation	12	2	1	4	1	8	0	0	1	89	76	13	20	21	27	12	36	9	44	19	18	131	24	122	690
Habeas Corpus	4	1	5	7	11	29	1	3	5	87	4	2	0	5	41	11	12	3	49	2	3	66	1	661	1013
Post Conviction <sup>a</sup>	0	1	1	1	3	6	0	[1]	0	45	2	5	[1]	4	23	5	1	1	7	6	3	27	0	[216]	141
Other	54	7	16	21	10	95	20	39	34	59	84	23	79	19	58	97	74	14	756	20	20	270	36	132	2037
Appeals: Magistrate <sup>b</sup>	0	1	12	2	0	10	1	8	4	280	53	42	0	13	35	10	10	3	140	9	13	143	6	512	1307
Other	0	3	18	5	0	8	2	4	3	114	28	16	1	11	24	10	11	9	61	0	11	105	8	472	924
EQUITY - TOTALS	311	131	458	204	148	321	143	110	143	2813	1122	533	129	1168	1799	251	186	481	2245	171	258	4435	392	7135	25,087
Adoption	30	19	64	22	12	52	9	6	16	394	119	73	17	86	198	41	39	70	358	21	23	779	45	1314	3807
Divorce, etc.	150	71	257	89	71	149	92	33	61	1501	447	330	60	703	899	125	81	249	1046	66	85	2557	190	3427	12,739
Foreclosure	16	16	34	20	9	32	5	6	2	222	106	19	3	57	233	14	21	32	72	27	21	299	24	501	1791
Paternity	42	9	67	36	5	39	10	23	27	105	40	17	0	67	96	10	2	52	37	23	51	332	77	[*]	1167
Other	73	16	36	37	51	49	27	42	37	591	410	94	49	255	373	61	43	78	732	34	78	468	56	1893	5583
CRIMINAL - TOTALS	129	53	232	207	79	212	175	60	40	2072	349	301	52	190	1030	143	228	183	695	170	268	1995	236	12,092	21,191
Desertion, etc.	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	211	5	100	0	0	105	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	2363	2795
Other	62	31	82	168	57	158	130	35	25	1407	253	124	42	113	657	107	139	91	425	64	129	959	111	7690	13,059
Magistrate Appeals: <sup>c</sup> Traffic Law	12	9	121	19	12	33	35	14	12	348	65	48	9	30	158	15	41	31	104	29	21	256	66	1076	2564
Other	55	12	29	20	10	21	10	11	3	106	26	29	1	47	110	21	38	61	166	77	118	780	59	963	2773

(a) Post Conviction cases totaling 218 in Queen Anne's and Garrett Counties and Baltimore City not reflected in totals.

(b) Appeals from People's Courts included.

(c) Appeals from People's Courts and the Municipal Court of Baltimore City included.

(\*) Total terminated Paternity Petitions not available.

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COMPARATIVE TABLE  
LAW CASES  
FILED AND TERMINATED

	1961-62		1962-63		1963-64		1964-65		1965-66		1966-67		1967-68		1968-69	
	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T
FIRST CIRCUIT																
Dorchester	88	75	103	98	89	87	121	117	134	122	133	102	170	148	148	153
Somerset	137	150	122	133	164	129	131	130	207	198	171	169	102	143	92	95
Wicomico	330	357	263	227	344	323	297	270	281	274	263	278	317	279	285	299
Worcester	160	186	263	231	185	182	247	187	192	222	198	210	177	167	184	177
SECOND CIRCUIT																
Caroline	103	98	106	105	115	105	98	97	92	84	93	97	122	108	143	113
Cecil	503	333	501	331	472	828	497	353	474	355	534	459	557	493	642	589
Kent	74	95	75	78	69	56	69	72	93	77	116	107	132	116	120	119
Queen Anne's	142	123	143	157	138	128	112	123	130	118	144	151	120	127	153	155
Talbot	191	186	184	191	183	158	162	151	214	196	149	142	120	130	123	118
THIRD CIRCUIT																
Baltimore	2579	1809	2535	1879	2746	3107	3060	2155	3015	2985	2425	2843	2593	4540	2595	2488
Harford	449	488	531	503	513	488	583	507	594	584	597	495	587	553	617	724
FOURTH CIRCUIT																
Allegany	531	549	495	451	514	418	491	440	559	536	554	457	530	664	479	464
Garrett	132	155	126	113	124	130	150	124	182	178	186	187	146	138	159	170
Washington	613	616	771	706	747	726	824	763	691	721	562	524	544	196	469	221
FIFTH CIRCUIT																
Anne Arundel	1467	1226	1622	1481	1912	1637	1650	1300	1559	1474	1530	1316	1465	2135	1542	1269
Carroll	431	486	382	379	474	437	438	421	429	473	408	409	480	457	556	552
Howard	468	441	439	490	532	482	567	550	535	499	584	536	488	421	507	471
SIXTH CIRCUIT																
Frederick	363	317	400	298	377	307	357	359	414	383	464	380	375	356	332	326
Montgomery	1804	1842	2178	1712	2317	1703	2562	2064	2530	2273	3185	2359	3606	3293	3530	2910
SEVENTH CIRCUIT																
Calvert	74	74	142	114	146	143	129	178	153	131	262	220	257	219	295	250
Charles	182	226	222	201	181	168	201	209	332	286	295	291	310	310	350	319
Prince George's	2214	2256	2623	1848	2861	3367	3175	3160	3343	3066	3116	3384	2803	2590	2757	2808
St. Mary's	215	148	178	177	192	138	175	589	138	101	224	167	227	312	253	236
EIGHTH CIRCUIT																
Baltimore City	11055	8836	10181	8887	9743	8521	10181	9137	10486	9005	9888	8799	9355	8644	8904	8099
STATE	24305	21072	24585	20790	25138	23768	26277	23456	26777	24341	26081	24082	25583	26539	25235	23125



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COMPARATIVE TABLE  
EQUITY CASES  
FILED AND TERMINATED

	1961-62		1962-63		1963-64		1964-65		1965-66		1966-67		1967-68		1968-69	
	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T
<b>FIRST CIRCUIT</b>																
Dorchester	165	191	168	142	254	207	270	257	270	225	219	198	257	211	260	311
Somerset	95	74	105	82	158	104	194	128	171	239	200	202	160	152	151	131
Wicomico	400	436	393	451	462	392	537	545	506	540	519	528	515	451	579	458
Worcester	196	174	168	191	202	205	202	138	167	236	184	160	208	192	193	204
<b>SECOND CIRCUIT</b>																
Caroline	71	75	116	77	111	100	138	130	105	106	94	78	106	154	134	148
Cecil	312	474	339	220	385	233	364	692	414	308	389	334	433	327	430	321
Kent	110	87	101	94	96	88	120	142	135	124	134	135	138	123	138	143
Queen Anne's	87	68	98	91	81	70	78	71	87	83	135	105	120	194	125	110
Talbot	98	92	104	74	139	111	144	123	148	124	154	127	180	132	171	143
<b>THIRD CIRCUIT</b>																
Baltimore	2294	2046	2195	1869	2578	1912	2570	1937	2695	2031	2708	2430	2991	2544	2847	2813
Harford	409	340	437	290	488	525	524	379	633	673	620	573	664	570	697	1122
<b>FOURTH CIRCUIT</b>																
Allegany	427	361	423	352	461	453	465	491	499	470	517	432	513	465	532	533
Garrett	98	82	96	79	92	106	107	94	127	133	135	99	114	120	120	129
Washington	454	375	494	442	591	457	604	467	629	485	649	551	649	596	666	1168
<b>FIFTH CIRCUIT</b>																
Anne Arundel	1178	911	1248	948	1599	1535	1797	1363	1638	1439	1554	1222	1699	2116	1731	1799
Carroll	198	149	193	150	215	173	245	205	284	347	253	373	281	274	297	251
Howard	214	202	196	174	242	181	226	183	249	203	286	212	290	176	316	186
<b>SIXTH CIRCUIT</b>																
Frederick	377	292	377	292	457	357	466	360	450	386	463	428	504	402	508	481
Montgomery	1386	1151	1677	1263	2000	1562	1961	1516	1983	2543	2059	2485	2237	2250	2412	2245
<b>SEVENTH CIRCUIT</b>																
Calvert	62	50	83	65	105	99	160	158	141	130	129	133	189	183	174	171
Charles	122	144	143	113	183	210	200	173	212	205	214	237	208	213	242	258
Prince George's	2113	2009	2398	2998	3106	2717	3322	3101	3568	3151	3507	3712	3837	3348	4039	4435
St. Mary's	175	132	171	145	318	276	270	327	288	184	288	224	357	788	385	392
<b>EIGHTH CIRCUIT</b>																
Baltimore City	8349	6573	9548	7308	9083	7543	8632	6928	9057	7216	7754	6835	8361	7455	8002	7135
<b>STATE</b>	19390	16488	21271	17910	23406	19616	23596	19908	24456	21581	23164	21813	25011	23436	25149	25087

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COMPARATIVE TABLE  
CRIMINAL CASES  
FILED AND TERMINATED

	1961-62		1962-63		1963-64		1964-65		1965-66		1966-67		1967-68		1968-69	
	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T
<b>FIRST CIRCUIT</b>																
Dorchester	182	189	263	271	180	138	110	137	177	151	111	123	143	124	136	129
Somerset	102	92	116	74	206	193	168	119	134	163	75	87	87	155	79	53
Wicomico	338	359	351	307	398	392	649	561	509	570	484	501	287	363	233	232
Worcester	216	185	163	157	174	166	267	238	344	386	280	226	238	248	219	207
<b>SECOND CIRCUIT</b>																
Caroline	71	72	61	52	54	67	42	43	28	13	33	50	44	45	88	79
Cecil	205	157	147	200	179	226	210	172	174	163	188	206	205	210	205	212
Kent	136	157	110	120	101	92	175	182	151	160	142	129	121	132	171	175
Queen Anne's	67	69	115	100	82	91	62	59	75	92	61	65	102	102	93	60
Talbot	160	147	111	106	113	121	126	126	84	95	102	73	79	109	52	40
<b>THIRD CIRCUIT</b>																
Baltimore	1775	1280	1708	1647	1786	2465	1808	1740	2215	1986	1954	1971	2009	2335	2036	2072
Harford	261	198	235	271	244	221	251	246	312	295	222	235	229	187	349	349
<b>FOURTH CIRCUIT</b>																
Allegany	184	191	238	213	246	268	450	396	387	403	373	354	372	388	271	301
Garrett	75	91	73	74	99	83	73	90	61	64	64	49	85	97	62	52
Washington	302	303	280	272	325	347	329	326	331	305	335	289	270	214	221	190
<b>FIFTH CIRCUIT</b>																
Anne Arundel	642	583	668	666	708	692	814	810	832	826	883	873	1048	892	1274	1030
Carroll	93	103	99	104	133	125	119	92	154	156	136	128	156	146	138	143
Howard	209	196	198	215	209	200	168	170	238	180	293	320	299	244	322	228
<b>SIXTH CIRCUIT</b>																
Frederick	129	164	321	240	239	277	180	187	140	152	156	129	173	160	201	183
Montgomery	657	620	651	618	519	454	563	501	626	593	789	480	868	1002	757	695
<b>SEVENTH CIRCUIT</b>																
Calvert	120	125	126	99	101	98	117	109	173	122	218	213	195	219	161	170
Charles	165	186	217	178	192	219	152	161	193	196	233	249	263	239	266	268
Prince George's	1007	1001	993	1224	1058	1004	1319	1256	1542	1336	1661	1623	1926	1943	1955	1995
St. Mary's	195	214	121	138	191	117	189	360	211	98	219	340	175	180	238	236
<b>EIGHTH CIRCUIT</b>																
Baltimore City	9398	8497	9731	9029	9051	8983	9344	10451	10970	9264	10161	8978	12220	10234	13753	12092
<b>STATE</b>																
	16689	15179	17096	16375	16588	17039	17685	18532	20061	17769	19173	17691	21594	19968	23280	21191

TABLE E

**LAW AND CRIMINAL CASES TRIED  
IN THE COURTS OF MARYLAND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969

CIRCUITS		LAW *					CRIMINAL *	
		MOTOR TORT	OTHER TORT	CONDEM- NATION	CONTRACT	OTHER LAW	TOTALS	
							JURY	NON- JURY
F I R S T	DORCHESTER COUNTY	3	0	4	5	8	<u>20</u> 3	17 19
	SOMERSET COUNTY	4	1	1	0	6	<u>12</u> 5	7 5
	WICOMICO COUNTY	11	5	1	9	14	<u>40</u> 21	19 7
	WORCESTER COUNTY	2	0	2	4	7	<u>15</u> 5	10 2
S E C O N D	CAROLINE COUNTY	2	0	1	5	5	<u>13</u> 5	8 15
	CECIL COUNTY	21	3	3	60	60	<u>147</u> 39	108 31
	KENT COUNTY	4	3	0	9	6	<u>22</u> 11	11 30
	QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY	5	0	0	2	7	<u>14</u> 1	13 7
	TALBOT COUNTY	11	4	0	1	21	<u>37</u> 14	23 10
T H I R D	BALTIMORE COUNTY	239	56	23	230	139	<u>687</u> 249	438 50
	HARFORD COUNTY	23	2	6	15	20	<u>66</u> 27	39 16
F O U R T H	ALLEGANY COUNTY	21	2	3	5	39	<u>70</u> 23	47 33
	GARRETT COUNTY	4	0	19	0	16	<u>39</u> 26	13 9
	WASHINGTON COUNTY	41	5	1	69	23	<u>139</u> 43	96 54

\* APPEALS INCLUDED

TABLE E (continued)

**LAW AND CRIMINAL CASES TRIED  
IN THE COURTS OF MARYLAND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969

CIRCUITS		LAW *						CRIMINAL *		
		MOTOR TORT	OTHER TORT	CONDEM- NATION	CONTRACT	OTHER LAW	TOTALS		TOTALS	
							JURY	NON- JURY	JURY	NON- JURY
F I R T H	ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY	65	13	10	42	98	<u>228</u> 77	151	<u>802</u> 76	726
	CARROLL COUNTY	2	6	3	16	14	<u>41</u> 5	36	<u>141</u> 3	138
	HOWARD COUNTY	22	10	14	0	23	<u>69</u> 39	30	<u>153</u> 14	139
S I X T H	FREDERICK COUNTY	11	0	4	11	11	<u>37</u> 16	21	<u>108</u> 7	101
	MONTGOMERY COUNTY	94	30	4	55	182	<u>365</u> 161	204	<u>476</u> 165	311
S E V E N T H	CALVERT COUNTY	12	5	8	10	9	<u>44</u> 18	26	<u>161</u> 2	159
	CHARLES COUNTY	6	3	3	9	16	<u>37</u> 11	26	<u>99</u> 25	74
	PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY	102	84	36	8	236	<u>466</u> 184	282	<u>900</u> 237	663
	ST. MARY'S COUNTY	5	6	6	5	13	<u>35</u> 19	16	<u>159</u> 7	152
8 T H	BALTIMORE CITY	649	113	38	301	251	<u>1352</u> 648	704	<u>7545</u> 232	7313
T O T A L	STATE	1359	351	190	871	1224	<u>3995</u> 1650	2345	<u>13,482</u> 1056	12,426

\* APPEALS INCLUDED

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AGE OF LAW CASES TRIED  
September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

	Totals	Less than 3 mos	3-5	6-11	12-17	18-23	24-29	30-35	36-41	42-47	48-53	54-59	Over 60
FIRST CIRCUIT													
Dorchester	20	9	3	4	2	1	1						
Somerset	12	1	1	4	2	1		1		1			1
Wicomico	40	7	2	14	7	4	3		1	1			1
Worcester	15	2	3	3	3	2	2						
SECOND CIRCUIT													
Caroline	13	5	3		1	2	1	1					
Cecil	147	51	21	36	16	11	7	2	1			1	1
Kent	22	6	6	4	2		1	1	1		1		
Queen Anne's	14	2	6	3	1		1					1	
Talbot	37	4	11	12	4	1				1		3	1
THIRD CIRCUIT													
Baltimore	687	73	114	190	109	78	43	21	18	17	4	5	15
Harford	66	10	9	18	13	7	5	3	1				
FOURTH CIRCUIT													
Allegany	70	6	12	21	11	10	4	2	1	1			2
Garrett	39	5	11	2	4	5	9	2		1			
Washington	139	47	35	34	15	5	1	1				1	
FIFTH CIRCUIT													
Anne Arundel	228	36	49	67	39	10	13	8	2	2	1		1
Carroll	41	7	11	10	3	5	1	3					1
Howard	69	4	10	11	22	19	3						
SIXTH CIRCUIT													
Frederick	37	4	5	11	3	7	2	3		1		1	
Montgomery	365	18	59	166	63	26	15	8	2	4	2		2
SEVENTH CIRCUIT													
Calvert	44	2	7	20	6	3	2	2		2			
Charles	37	2	9	19	3	1			1			1	1
Prince George's	466	53	124	180	59	23	15	6	2	2			2
St. Mary's	35	6	7	10	7	2	3						
EIGHTH CIRCUIT													
Baltimore City	1352	40	59	271	240	201	172	127	88	49	45	26	34
TOTAL CITY and COUNTIES	3995	400	577	1110	635	424	304	191	118	82	53	39	62
Percentage		10.0	14.4	27.8	15.9	10.6	7.6	4.8	3.0	2.1	1.3	0.9	1.6
Cumulative Percentage			24.4	52.2	68.1	78.7	86.3	91.1	94.1	96.2	97.5	98.4	100.0

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## AGE OF EQUITY MATTERS HEARD

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

	Totals	Less than 3 mos	3-5	6-11	12-17	18-23	24-29	30-35	36-41	42-47	48-53	54-59	Over 60
FIRST CIRCUIT													
Dorchester	177	117	31	14	5	6	3	1					
Somerset	5	1	1	2	1								
Wicomico	34	21	2	4	1	2		1	1	1	1		1
Worcester	38	24	6	1	1	5		1					
SECOND CIRCUIT													
Caroline	14	5	8	1									
Cecil	212	86	40	34	18	7	9	3	1	1	5	2	6
Kent	14	9	2	3									
Queen Anne's	20	10	2	3	2	2	1						
Talbot	65	13	8	8	9	6	4	3	5	1	6	1	1
THIRD CIRCUIT													
Baltimore	861	237	185	186	73	31	28	22	21	12	18	8	40
Harford	77	36	13	20	3	2		1					2
FOURTH CIRCUIT													
Allegany	117	27	15	23	12	4	3	5	6		3	3	16
Garrett	36	21	3	3	2	1	1	3			1		1
Washington	220	130	22	28	16	6	2	6	1	1	1	1	6
FIFTH CIRCUIT													
Anne Arundel	259	58	48	59	34	19	7	4	7	4	1	2	16
Carroll	202	90	52	30	8	2	5	5	4	1	1		4
Howard	43	21	3	12	6					1			
SIXTH CIRCUIT													
Frederick	90	82	3	3	1		1						
Montgomery	669	228	82	104	67	35	27	26	20	14	15	10	41
SEVENTH CIRCUIT													
Calvert	24	12	2	6		1	1			1			1
Charles	51	34	11	5	1								
Prince George's	1127	708	189	155	37	18	9	4	5	1			1
St. Mary's	115	81	17	10	1		4	1					1
EIGHTH CIRCUIT													
Baltimore City	<u>360</u>	<u>176</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
TOTAL CITY and COUNTIES	4830	2227	815	786	315	158	108	90	72	37	55	28	139
Percentage		46.1	16.9	16.3	6.5	3.3	2.2	1.9	1.5	0.8	1.1	0.6	2.8
Cumulative Percentage			63.0	79.3	85.8	89.1	91.3	93.2	94.7	95.5	96.6	97.2	100.0

TABLE F-3

## AGE OF CRIMINAL CASES TRIED

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

	Totals	Less than									Over
		1 mo	2 mos	3 mos	4 mos	5 mos	6 mos	1 year	2 years	3 years	3 years
FIRST CIRCUIT											
Dorchester	129	48	45	24	2	1	3	1	5		
Somerset	34	7	16	3	6	2					
Wicomico	75	20	14	11	11	7	4	2	6		
Worcester	98	20	27	25	8	7	6	3	2		
SECOND CIRCUIT											
Caroline	41	21	6	5	4	3	1	1			
Cecil	206	77	40	38	17	9	9	9	3	2	2
Kent	106	31	53	10	7	1	2	2			
Queen Anne's	38	21	6	6			2	3			
Talbot	68	19	13	8	4	3	3	3	13	1	1
THIRD CIRCUIT											
Baltimore	1430	324	323	241	172	99	83	118	47	14	9
Harford	317	29	36	44	34	39	24	94	9	7	1
FOURTH CIRCUIT											
Allegany	171	100	25	14	10	7	9	4	2		
Garrett	45	22	7	4	2	1	2	6	1		
Washington	180	68	37	26	15	8	8	16	1		1
FIFTH CIRCUIT											
Anne Arundel	802	124	187	177	83	61	41	106	22	1	
Carroll	141	34	18	29	10	16	6	22	6		
Howard	153	11	37	11	14	20	5	32	16	7	
SIXTH CIRCUIT											
Frederick	108	31	24	19	12	1	12	7	2		
Montgomery	476	21	52	93	55	42	35	121	41	14	2
SEVENTH CIRCUIT											
Calvert	161	19	27	29	12	4	6	37	17	2	8
Charles	99	33	41	6	12	3		3	1		
Prince George's	900	195	377	120	71	50	24	55	6	1	1
St. Mary's	159	74	39	22	14	4	1	5			
EIGHTH CIRCUIT											
Baltimore City	7545	143	804	1444	1207	1034	685	1879	260	80	9
TOTAL CITY and COUNTIES	13,482	1492	2254	2409	1782	1422	971	2529	460	129	34
Percentage		11.1	16.7	17.9	13.2	10.5	7.2	18.8	3.4	0.9	0.3
Cumulative Percentage			27.8	45.7	58.9	69.4	76.6	95.4	98.8	99.7	100.0

TABLE G-1

JUVENILE CAUSES FILED AND TERMINATED  
IN THE COURTS OF MARYLAND

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

	FILED				TERMINATED			
	Total	Delinquency	Dependency and Neglect	Adult	Total	Delinquency	Dependency and Neglect	Adult
FIRST CIRCUIT - TOTAL	389	284	99	6	372	268	99	5
Dorchester County	139	96	42	1	131	92	38	1
Somerset County	37	27	10	0	40	27	13	0
Wicomico County <sup>a</sup>	147	104	38	5	146	103	39	4
Worcester County	66	57	9	0	55	46	9	0
SECOND CIRCUIT - TOTAL	605	299	300	6	586	313	270	3
Caroline County <sup>a</sup>	96	38	58	0	96	40	56	0
Cecil County <sup>a</sup>	206	121	83	2	204	128	74	2
Kent County	97	51	44	2	98	55	43	0
Queen Anne's County <sup>a</sup>	154	64	90	0	151	66	85	0
Talbot County	52	25	25	2	37	24	12	1
THIRD CIRCUIT - TOTAL	2873	2313	520	40	2922	2332	544	46
Baltimore County <sup>a</sup>	2352	1883	435	34	2421	1914	467	40
Harford County <sup>ii</sup>	521	430	85	6	501	418	77	6
FOURTH CIRCUIT - TOTAL	889	583	192	114	904	590	195	119
Allegany County	394	235	75	84	401	242	75	84
Garrett County	68	56	5	7	71	56	6	9
Washington County <sup>a</sup>	427	292	112	23	432	292	114	26
FIFTH CIRCUIT - TOTAL	1529	1347	177	5	1563	1383	175	5
Anne Arundel County <sup>a</sup>	1102	973	128	1	1180	1055	124	1
Carroll County	137	113	20	4	130	108	18	4
Howard County <sup>ii</sup>	290	261	29	0	253	220	33	0
SIXTH CIRCUIT - TOTAL	1693	1152	274	267	1698	1179	291	228
Frederick County	73	73	0	0	72	72	0	0
Montgomery County <sup>b</sup>	1620	1079	274	267	1626	1107	291	228
SEVENTH CIRCUIT - TOTAL	3460	2916	474	70	3654	3008	575	71
Calvert County	63	51	4	8	73	58	4	11
Charles County <sup>a</sup>	133	92	41	0	137	89	48	0
Prince George's County <sup>a</sup>	3092	2644	408	40	3216	2705	474	37
St. Mary's County <sup>a</sup>	172	129	21	22	228	156	49	23
EIGHTH CIRCUIT								
Baltimore City <sup>c</sup>	6448	5276	1159	13	6853	5717	1119	17
STATE TOTALS	17,886	14,170	3195	521	18,552	14,790	3268	494

- (a) "Minor in Need of Supervision" and "Mentally Handicapped" cases included with Dependency and Neglect.  
 (b) Juvenile Causes heard at the People's Court level.



TABLE G-2

COMPOSITE TABLE OF JUVENILE CAUSES  
FILED AND TERMINATED IN THE  
COURTS OF MARYLAND  
1961 to 1969

	1961-62		1962-63		1963-64		1964-65		1965-66		1966-67		1967-68		1968-69	
	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T
TOTALS	13376	12833	14849	15540	17071	16884	18310	17814	18710	18472	19348	19109	19063	17521	17886	18552
Allegany County <sup>a</sup>	-	-	302	306	454	405	470	514	485	483	426	421	362	370	394	401
Anne Arundel County	805	836	909	899	1147	1152	1151	1139	1239	1215	1184	1240	976	900	1102	1180
Baltimore City	6685	6430	7299	7839	7126	6969	7955	7811	7521	7369	7329	7170	7255	5938	6448	6853
Baltimore County	2168	2149	2451	2394	2606	2569	2820	2792	2876	2926	3029	3126	2738	2635	2352	2421
Calvert County	25	20	63	60	41	41	28	29	29	28	30	37	79	70	63	73
Caroline County	95	100	94	88	106	108	55	53	136	125	64	60	55	61	96	96
Carroll County	113	107	109	102	143	142	105	94	83	94	120	126	130	107	137	130
Cecil County	125	104	158	164	137	147	135	124	239	199	212	185	152	106	206	204
Charles County	69	71	79	67	127	142	102	106	75	70	118	117	146	140	133	137
Dorchester County	63	57	56	52	53	60	93	111	95	90	153	131	103	97	139	131
Frederick County	58	58	47	46	56	56	43	41	76	69	80	90	55	52	73	72
Garrett County	62	62	44	43	69	75	46	44	48	51	67	58	75	81	68	71
Harford County	244	244	308	308	309	309	240	240	231	231	329	329	476	476	521	501
Howard County	79	79	55	55	103	103	158	158	132	132	133	133	201	190	290	253
Kent County	78	90	79	64	117	116	79	93	135	131	159	146	105	112	97	98
Montgomery County <sup>b</sup>	-	-	-	-	1073	1108	1194	1043	1159	1335	1236	1181	1480	1251	1620	1626
Prince George's County	1877	1602	1926	2195	2266	2242	2391	2237	2994	2737	3636	3527	3603	3865	3092	3216
Queen Anne's County	64	55	48	47	65	64	81	62	44	60	40	40	85	106	154	151
St. Mary's County	58	46	50	66	80	73	104	100	89	102	61	54	147	119	172	228
Somerset County	47	52	31	27	57	59	86	79	59	60	70	65	57	60	37	40
Talbot County	94	81	83	79	91	93	116	106	115	99	115	131	83	82	52	37
Washington County <sup>c</sup>	306	307	295	297	430	426	492	494	515	511	511	488	460	472	427	432
Wicomico County	168	187	218	197	182	192	217	205	207	226	173	179	132	123	147	146
Worcester County	93	96	145	145	233	233	149	139	128	129	73	75	108	108	66	55

(a) Prior to June 1, 1964 juvenile causes heard at magistrate level; statistical data reported since September 1962.

(b) Juvenile causes heard at People's Court level; statistical data reported since October 1963.

(c) Prior to May 1, 1963 juvenile causes heard at magistrate level.

TABLE G-3

## JUVENILE CAUSES DISPOSED OF

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

DELINQUENCY	a. Jurisdiction waived	b. Charge not sustained	c. Charge sustained-dismissed with warning or by adjustment	d. Probation	e. Institutional commitment	f. Commitment to public or private agency	g. Other disposition	h. Fined	i. Sentence suspended	j. Sentenced	TOTALS
Allegany	0	10	26	132	1	8	22	0	0	43	242
Anne Arundel	120	250	16	206	107	10	346	0	0	0	1055
Baltimore City	46	1549	1376	1841	756	147	2	0	0	0	5717
Baltimore	17	420	26	518	322	56	552	0	3	0	1914
Calvert	2	12	2	21	8	6	7	0	0	0	58
Caroline	8	0	0	6	2	2	22	0	0	0	40
Carroll	10	21	12	36	10	7	7	0	0	0	108
Cecil	2	2	0	41	14	16	46	0	7	0	128
Charles	6	0	30	24	13	0	16	0	0	0	89
Dorchester	19	8	0	19	29	11	6	0	0	0	92
Frederick	14	10	4	11	25	8	0	0	0	0	72
Garrett	2	7	0	40	5	0	2	0	0	0	56
Harford	23	66	45	176	67	7	34	0	0	0	418
Howard	3	5	26	120	27	38	1	0	0	0	220
Kent	4	0	12	24	5	1	8	1	0	0	55
Montgomery	6	138	0	600	116	46	168	0	33	0	1107
Prince George's	30	333	774	825	247	72	418	0	6	0	2705
Queen Anne's	4	1	10	34	7	2	8	0	0	0	66
St. Mary's	2	0	0	58	27	5	64	0	0	0	156
Somerset	7	2	1	14	1	1	0	0	0	0	27
Talbot	1	1	0	17	2	0	3	0	0	0	24
Washington	45	11	17	80	31	18	39	4	43	4	292
Wicomico	6	6	7	56	18	8	2	0	0	0	103
Worcester	3	13	2	18	0	10	0	0	0	0	46
State Totals	380	2865	2386	4917	1840	477	1774	12	92	47	14790

DEPENDENCY and NEGLECT <sup>a</sup>	a. Jurisdiction waived	b. Charge not sustained	c. Charge sustained-dismissed with warning or by adjustment	d. Probation	e. Institutional commitment	f. Commitment to public or private agency	g. Other disposition	h. Fined	i. Sentence suspended	j. Sentenced	TOTALS
Allegany	0	0	5	3	0	4	62	0	0	1	75
Anne Arundel	0	121	105	6	16	870	1	0	0	5	124
Baltimore City	0	6	0	2	19	317	123	0	0	0	1119
Baltimore	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	4
Calvert	0	0	0	0	0	26	28	0	0	0	56
Caroline	0	2	0	1	0	13	2	0	0	0	18
Carroll	0	0	0	2	0	39	33	0	0	0	74
Cecil	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	4
Charles	0	0	10	0	1	19	18	0	0	0	48
Dorchester	0	7	0	0	0	31	0	0	0	0	38
Frederick	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Garrett	0	1	1	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	6
Harford	0	1	0	0	6	54	16	0	0	0	77
Howard	0	0	4	0	0	29	0	0	0	0	33
Kent	1	0	5	0	0	24	13	0	0	0	43
Montgomery	0	38	0	12	5	146	90	0	0	0	291
Prince George's	0	55	20	1	6	246	146	0	0	0	474
Queen Anne's	0	1	0	1	1	6	76	0	0	0	85
St. Mary's	0	0	2	4	1	10	32	0	0	0	49
Somerset	0	2	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	13
Talbot	0	3	0	2	1	3	3	0	0	0	12
Washington	0	4	2	0	0	49	55	0	0	0	114
Wicomico	0	3	2	1	0	17	16	0	0	0	39
Worcester	0	1	1	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	9
State Totals	1	250	162	40	57	2021	731	0	0	6	3268

ADULT	a. Jurisdiction waived	b. Charge not sustained	c. Charge sustained-dismissed with warning or by adjustment	d. Probation	e. Institutional commitment	f. Commitment to public or private agency	g. Other disposition	h. Fined	i. Sentence suspended	j. Sentenced	TOTALS
Allegany	0	14	17	20	0	0	14	3	10	6	84
Anne Arundel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Baltimore City	0	11	0	5	0	0	0	0	1	17	40
Baltimore	0	7	0	3	4	0	22	1	3	0	40
Calvert	0	6	0	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	11
Caroline	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carroll	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	4
Cecil	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Charles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dorchester	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Frederick	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Garrett	0	3	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	9
Harford	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Howard	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Montgomery	0	69	0	12	0	0	141	6	0	0	228
Prince George's	0	7	3	3	0	1	22	1	0	0	37
Queen Anne's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Mary's	1	7	0	5	0	0	10	0	0	0	23
Somerset	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Talbot	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Washington	0	4	3	0	2	0	10	0	7	0	26
Wicomico	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Worcester	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Totals	1	136	25	54	11	1	224	14	21	7	494

TOTALS	a. Jurisdiction waived	b. Charge not sustained	c. Charge sustained-dismissed with warning or by adjustment	d. Probation	e. Institutional commitment	f. Commitment to public or private agency	g. Other disposition	h. Fined	i. Sentence suspended	j. Sentenced	TOTALS
Allegany	0	24	48	155	1	12	98	3	10	50	401
Anne Arundel	120	253	19	209	108	108	357	0	1	5	1180
Baltimore City	46	1681	1481	1852	772	1017	3	0	0	1	6853
Baltimore	17	433	26	523	345	373	697	1	6	0	2421
Calvert	2	18	2	23	9	7	12	0	0	0	73
Caroline	8	2	0	6	2	28	50	0	0	0	96
Carroll	10	23	12	37	10	18	10	10	0	0	130
Cecil	2	2	0	43	16	55	79	0	7	0	204
Charles	6	0	40	24	14	19	34	0	0	0	137
Dorchester	19	16	0	19	29	42	6	0	0	0	131
Frederick	14	10	4	11	25	8	0	0	0	0	72
Garrett	2	11	2	42	7	1	6	0	0	0	71
Harford	23	73	45	176	73	61	50	0	0	0	501
Howard	3	5	30	120	27	67	1	0	0	0	253
Kent	5	0	17	24	5	25	21	1	0	0	98
Montgomery	6	245	0	624	121	192	399	6	33	0	1626
Prince George's	30	395	797	829	253	319	586	1	6	0	3216
Queen Anne's	4	2	10	35	8	84	0	0	0	0	151
St. Mary's	3	7	2	67	28	15	106	0	0	0	228
Somerset	7	4	1	14	1	12	1	0	0	0	40
Talbot	1	4	0	19	3	3	7	0	0	0	37
Washington	45	19	24	82	33	67	104	4	50	4	432
Wicomico	6	10	10	59	18	25	18	0	0	0	146
Worcester	3	14	3	18	0	17	0	0	0	0	55
State Totals	382	3251	2573	5011	1908	2499	2729	26	113	60	18552

TABLE G-4

## HEARINGS IN JUVENILE CAUSES

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

	Delinquency				Dependency and Neglect				Adult				Totals			
	Hearings	Re-hearings	Hearings on Support	Totals	Hearings	Re-hearings	Hearings on Support	Totals	Hearings	Re-hearings	Hearings on Support	Totals	Hearings	Re-hearings	Hearings on Support	Totals
Allegany	240	0	0	240	75	0	0	75	84	0	0	84	399	0	0	399
Anne Arundel <sup>a</sup>	1092	290	1	1383	133	30	26	189	1	0	0	1	1226	320	27	1573
Baltimore City <sup>a</sup>	5717	712	0	6429	1119	83	0	1202	17	0	0	17	6853	795	0	7648
Baltimore County <sup>a</sup>	1505	402	7	1914	352	96	19	467	29	10	1	40	1886	508	27	2421
Calvert	70	6	0	76	1	0	0	1	3	0	11	14	74	6	11	91
Caroline <sup>a</sup>	43	50	3	96	45	61	375	481	0	1	0	1	88	112	378	578
Carroll	96	1	0	97	15	0	2	17	4	0	4	8	115	1	6	122
Cecil <sup>a</sup>	105	7	0	112	79	1	0	80	0	2	0	2	184	10	0	194
Charles <sup>a</sup>	79	0	0	79	14	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	93	0	0	93
Dorchester	91	0	0	91	25	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	116	0	0	116
Frederick	55	0	0	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55	0	0	55
Carrett	56	0	0	56	6	0	0	6	9	0	0	9	71	0	0	71
Harford <sup>a</sup>	178	20	0	198	15	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	193	20	0	213
Howard <sup>a</sup>	317	10	1	328	42	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	359	10	1	370
Kent	49	11	0	60	25	6	22	53	0	0	0	0	74	17	22	113
Montgomery <sup>b</sup>	5883	395	8	6286	193	84	36	313	63	13	250	326	6139	492	294	6925
Prince George's <sup>a</sup>	1520	2266	0	3786	331	196	0	527	27	13	0	40	1878	2475	0	4353
Queen Anne's <sup>a</sup>	63	12	0	75	67	24	32	123	0	0	0	0	130	36	32	198
St. Mary's <sup>a</sup>	108	21	0	129	22	0	0	22	19	1	0	20	149	22	0	171
Somerset	24	1	0	25	12	6	12	30	0	0	0	0	36	7	12	55
Talbot	47	106	6	159	7	5	0	12	0	0	0	0	54	111	6	171
Washington	292	0	0	292	114	0	0	114	26	0	508	534	432	0	508	940
Wicomico	77	1	0	78	30	0	0	30	4	0	0	4	111	1	0	112
Worcester	39	6	0	45	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	40	7	0	47
STATE	17,746	4317	26	22,089	2723	593	524	3840	286	40	774	1100	20,755	4950	1324	27,029

(a) 75 "Minor in Need of Supervision" and 18 "Mentally Handicapped" cases included.

(b) 5002 Traffic dispositions included in delinquency totals.

## VII THE COURTS OF LIMITED JURISDICTION

The 1969 General Assembly attempted to establish a full-time District Court system for Maryland to replace the present courts of limited jurisdiction by Chapter 789 of the Laws of 1969 which called for a special public referendum on the question of lower court revision. That referendum, however, was deferred until the general election of November 3, 1970 as the result of a decision of the Court of Appeals of Maryland in the case of Cohen v. Governor, 255 Md. 5.

Several other pieces of legislation were enacted in 1969 pertaining to courts of limited jurisdiction. Chapter 369 raised the maximum civil jurisdiction of the People's Court of Anne Arundel County to \$2500.00 while Chapter 604 abolished the position of substitute judge of that Court effective the first Monday in May, 1971.

Two additional positions of substitute Trial Magistrate were created for Baltimore County by Chapter 520 of the Laws of 1969. As a result, there are now seven substitutes in addition to the sixteen regular Trial Magistrates in Baltimore County.

An additional full-time judge for the People's Court of Montgomery County was authorized by Chapter 539. The same Act also abolished the two substitute judges of the Court as of May 1, 1970.

As in previous years, the trend of an increasing number of cases processed by the courts of limited jurisdiction continued as a total of 978,973 dispositions were reported to the Administrative Office of the Courts

during the statistical year 1968-69. Traffic cases accounted for 72.3 percent (707,669) followed by civil dispositions with 17.3 percent (169,107) and criminal dispositions, the remaining 10.4 percent (102,197).

As expected, the case load was centered in the metropolitan area with the courts of Baltimore City reflecting the greatest volume. Of the four largest counties, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Montgomery and Prince George's, only Baltimore County does not utilize a People's Court system staffed by full-time judges but instead uses the services of Trial Magistrates for the trial of traffic and minor criminal cases and part-time People's Court judges for the trial of minor civil cases. That county followed Baltimore City in total cases processed by its lower courts during 1968-69.

On the following pages appear charts showing the work load of the courts of limited jurisdiction as well as tables listing judicial personnel, civil jurisdiction and court locations.

# CASES PROCESSED BY THE COURTS OF LIMITED JURISDICTION

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

Counties	Traffic	Criminal	Town (Criminal)	Civil	
				Filed	Terminated
Allegany	823*	63	2	29	98
Anne Arundel	22,592	5828	1355	3985	2501
Baltimore City	428,042	57,365	XX	151,763	122,276
Baltimore	82,112	7786	XX	15,877	11,474
Calvert	930*	178	17	57	19
Caroline	159*	20	13	17	9
Carroll	3631*	287	25	488	391
Cecil	5905	358	465	579	N. R. F.
Charles	8222	1689	XX	545	189
Dorchester	1539	1023	21	338	115
Frederick		NO	REPORTS	FILED	
Garrett	521*	218	XX	199	164
Harford	10,115	2231	XX	1939	1858
Howard	7225	1109	XX	597	586
Kent	798*	296	74	220	202
Montgomery	67,533	4384	XX	6559	6704
Prince George's	46,240	9779	842	20,046	19,810
Queen Anne's	2108	603	XX	192	145
St. Mary's	3419	919	XX	666	478
Somerset	777	441	356	264	201
Talbot	3169	501	103	305	225
Washington	1580	484	75	494	293
Wicomico	7102	1553	183	1777	653
Worcester	3127	1169	382	692	716
STATE TOTALS	707,669	98,284	3913	207,628	169,107

\* Figures obtained from Maryland State Police.  
N. R. F. - No Report Filed.

# PEOPLE'S COURT OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

## SUMMARY OF CIVIL CASES

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

	FILED DURING YEAR	TERMINATED					TOTAL
		JUDGMENT ENTERED			DISMISSALS		
		Contested	Ex Parte	Summary and Confessed	By Court	By Plaintiff	
LANDLORD & TENANT Summary Ejectment	1133	148	557		109	221	1035
Tenants Holding Over							
Forcible Entry and Detainer							
Grantee's Possession Suit							
Distrainments	18	1	1		1	7	10
SUMMARY JUDGMENT	2187	102	5	957	18	144	1226
CONTRACT	365	53	25		20	21	119
TORT	208	36	10		10	29	85
CONFESSED JUDGMENTS	32		10				10
REPLEVIN	35	1	3			8	12
ATTACHMENT ON ORIGINAL PROCESS	7	1				3	4
TOTAL	3985	342	611	957	158	433	2501

WRITS OF FI FA	8
WARRANTS OF RESTITUTION	212
APPEAL - Contract	38
Tort	4
Other	27

## CRIMINAL CASES DISPOSED OF

	TRIALS	PRELIMINARY HEARINGS	STETS & NOLLE PROSEQUI	COLLATERAL FORFEITED	JURY TRIAL PRAYED	REMOVALS	WITHDRAWN, DISMISSED OR COMPROMISED	TOTAL
TRAFFIC	9215	1	410	12,962		2	2	22,592
CRIMINAL	3606	536	279	652	69	28	658	5828
TOWN (Criminal)	960	25	27	271	3		69	1355
TOTAL	13,781	562	716	13,885	72	30	729	29,775

# MUNICIPAL COURT OF BALTIMORE CITY

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

## CRIMINAL CASES PROCESSED

	Committed in Default of Fine	Fines Paid	Commit- ments	Probation Without Verdict	Not Guilty	Held for Grand Jury	Probation	Held for Mental Examination	Fine or Term Suspended	Fine and Term Imposed	Other Term or Disposition	Total	Postponed	Grand Total
CENTRAL	1491	976	1026	1055	1656	1999	551	759	610	26	762	10,911	4899	15,810
NORTHERN	176	329	217	391	446	680	141	119	199	9	152	2859	1303	4162
EASTERN	468	678	429	667	1151	1330	357	257	354	13	166	5870	2318	8188
SOUTHERN	730	868	555	861	1170	915	423	390	339	30	225	6506	2567	9073
WESTERN	853	1042	579	956	1287	1375	264	409	399	9	271	7444	2692	10,136
NORTH EASTERN	194	427	199	604	621	544	373	137	189	3	119	3410	1597	5007
NORTH WESTERN	409	599	321	806	872	822	303	169	184	11	174	4670	1827	6497
SOUTH EASTERN	731	817	546	1090	1386	986	255	449	318	6	328	6912	2765	9677
SOUTH WESTERN	310	662	211	719	758	722	297	278	139	8	146	4250	1487	5737
HOUSING *	118	859	8	862	1147	249	328	6	54		1005	4636	2165	6801
TOTALS	5480	7257	4091	8011	10494	9622	3292	2973	2785	115	3348	57,468	23,620	81,088

Applications for Warrants - 21,260

Informal Hearings - 1042

\* Welfare Fraud and Auto Manslaughter cases included.

## TRAFFIC CASES PROCESSED

	Summons Issued	Summons Paid	Cases Tried
MOVING	148,979	47,295	83,025
PARKING	295,670	269,562	28,161
TOTALS	444,649	316,857	111,186



# PEOPLE'S COURT OF BALTIMORE CITY

Cases	1968			1969		
	Filed	Terminated <sup>a</sup>		Filed	Terminated <sup>a</sup>	
		Contested	Tried Ex Parte		Contested	Tried Ex Parte
<b>LANDLORD and TENANT</b>						
Summary Ejectment	98,895	5,851	92,516	105,673	4,405	100,931
Summary Ejectment (Housing Authority of Baltimore City)	11,653	212	6,722	11,421	168	6,363
<b>TOTAL Summary Ejectment</b>	<b>110,548</b>	<b>6,063</b>	<b>99,238</b>	<b>117,094</b>	<b>4,573</b>	<b>107,294</b>
<b>CONTRACT</b>						
Claims of \$1,000.00 or less	15,502	1,225	4,568	17,041	1,321	2,140
Claims of \$1,000.01 to \$2,500.00	1,510	350	287	1,650	225	194
<b>TOTAL Contract</b>	<b>17,012</b>	<b>1,575</b>	<b>4,855</b>	<b>18,691</b>	<b>1,546</b>	<b>2,334</b>
<b>TORT</b>						
Claims of \$1,000.00 or less	2,826	833	396	2,992	667	378
Claims of \$1,000.01 to \$2,500.00	2,531	919	257	3,540	960	180
<b>TOTAL Tort</b>	<b>5,357</b>	<b>1,752</b>	<b>653</b>	<b>6,532</b>	<b>1,627</b>	<b>558</b>
<b>OTHER (\$2,500.00 or less)</b>						
Attachment on Judgment	4,026	36	1,537	5,690	35	2,578
Attachment on Original Process	393	47	86	528	43	199
Attachment after Two Non Ests	790	59	85	986	79	397
Distraint	202	22	33	138	20	47
Forcible Entry and Detainer	41	17	16	39	17	14
Grantee's Suit for Possession	0	0	0	1	1	0
Replevin	712	40	280	747	39	293
Tax Cases - (Mayor and City Council)	2,480	14	180	2,080	41	330
Tenant Holding Over	211	46	70	253	40	138
Wage (Contract)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Judgments by Confession	2,092	274	266	1,997	400	313
<b>TOTAL Cases</b>	<b>143,864</b>	<b>9,945</b>	<b>107,299</b>	<b>154,776</b>	<b>8,461</b>	<b>114,495</b>
<b>OTHER PROCEEDINGS</b>						
Petition to Sue Commissioner (DMV)	130	52	34	230	111	68
Capias in Withernam	0	0	0	0	0	0
Scire Facias	50	7	28	32	9	13
Cisimant's Petition - (Execution or Attachment)	6	3	0	0	0	0
Execution (FiFs)	2,173	XXX	XXX	2,366	XXX	XXX
Notice to Quit (Landlord and Tenant)	1,865	XXX	XXX	2,049	XXX	XXX
Interrogatories in Attachment	157	XXX	XXX	147	XXX	XXX
Subpoenas	4,840	XXX	XXX	6,123	XXX	XXX
Judgments of Court Recorded - On Order of Plaintiff	9,911	XXX	XXX	9,999	XXX	XXX
Supplementary Proceedings - Attachment and Hearing for Contempt	535 156	124 45	225 48	526 125	91 25	265 43
*****						
<b>CASES REMOVED TO EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURTS</b>				<b>1968</b>	<b>1969</b>	
Contract				31	24	
Tort				146	185	
Other				0	2	
<b>TOTAL Removals</b>				<b>177</b>	<b>211</b>	
<b>APPEALS TO THE BALTIMORE CITY COURT</b>						
Contract				396	373	
Tort				433	434	
Other				43	31	
<b>TOTAL Appeals</b>				<b>872</b>	<b>838</b>	
<b>TIME SPAN<sup>b</sup></b>						
Contract Cases				39 days	49 days	
Tort Cases				59 days	79 days	

(a) Cases Passed for Settlement, Dismissed, Settled, or continued with consent of Court, are not included.

(b) Elapsed Time between Institution and Assigned Trial Date on Last Day of Month computed only for Contract and Tort cases, other categories, such as Summary Ejectment, Tenants Holding Over, Grantee's Suit for Possession, and Replevin are not included, as there are statutory provisions fixing the trial date in relation to date of filing, to which the Court conforms.

# PEOPLE'S COURT OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

SEPTEMBER 1, 1968 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1969

	CENTRAL				WESTERN				DUNDALK				EASTERN*				Essex				TOTALS			
	Filed	Terminated		Ex Parte (a) (b)	Filed	Terminated		Ex Parte (a) (b)	Filed	Terminated		Ex Parte (a) (b)	Filed	Terminated		Ex Parte (a) (b)	Filed	Terminated		Ex Parte (a) (b)	Filed	Terminated		Ex Parte (a) (b)
		Contested	Ex Parte (a) (b)			Contested	Ex Parte (a) (b)			Contested	Ex Parte (a) (b)			Contested	Ex Parte (a) (b)			Contested	Ex Parte (a) (b)			Contested	Ex Parte (a) (b)	
LANDLORD & TENANT																								
Summary Ejectment	1156	68	447	585	1564	71	799			1630	166	973	217	3551		456	546	1966	7901		761	2765	2768	
Tenant Holding Over Forcible Entry and Detainer	24	9	3		28	18	5			38	14	7		44		19	43	36	134		60	58	36	
Grantee's Possession Suit	11	2	1		2		1			1		1		7		3	6	4	21		5	9	4	
Distrainments	41	1			16					6				10		1	1	1	73		2	1	1	
CONTRACT	3026	373	162	1237	1318	176	86	521		1135	160	96	775	1161		216	256	343	6640		925	600	2876	
TORT	301	90	15	14	121	49	6	5		134	46	3		125		86	93	74	681		271	117	93	
CONFESSIONED JUDGMENTS	165	2	1		18			18		87	8		12	11					281		10	1	30	
REFLEVIN	33	5	4		11	4	3			26	2	4	2	25		5	16	15	95		16	27	17	
ATTACHMENT ON ORIGINAL PROCESS	38	8	7		4	2				5	1		1	4			1	1	51		11	8	2	
TOTALS	4795	558	640	1836	3082	320	900	544		3062	397	1084	1007	4938		786	962	2440	15,877		2061	3586	5827	
WARRANTS OF RESTI- TUTION ISSUED	114	xxx	xxx	xxx	271	xxx	xxx	xxx		360	xxx	xxx	xxx	553		xxx	xxx	xxx	1298		xxx	xxx	xxx	
WARRANTS OF RESTI- TUTION PROCESSED	114	xxx	xxx	xxx	271	xxx	xxx	xxx		360	xxx	xxx	xxx	553		xxx	xxx	xxx	1298		xxx	xxx	xxx	
APPEALS TO THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY -																								
Contract	84	xxx	xxx	xxx	41	xxx	xxx	xxx		14	xxx	xxx	xxx	33		xxx	xxx	xxx	172		xxx	xxx	xxx	
Tort	22	xxx	xxx	xxx	13	xxx	xxx	xxx		17	xxx	xxx	xxx	14		xxx	xxx	xxx	66		xxx	xxx	xxx	
Other	4	xxx	xxx	xxx	7	xxx	xxx	xxx			xxx	xxx	xxx			xxx	xxx	xxx	11		xxx	xxx	xxx	

\* There are two courts in the Eastern District.

(a) In Column "a" are listed cases in which one of the parties appeared in court.

(b) Column "b" indicates summary judgments, etcetera.

NOTE: Additional cases other than those listed above which were Passed for Settlement, Dismissed, Settled, or Generally Continued by Consent of the Court, totaled

Central	1708
Western	999
Eastern	1388
Dundalk	852
Essex	536

4095

# PEOPLE'S COURT OF HARFORD COUNTY

## SUMMARY OF CIVIL CASES

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

	FILED DURING YEAR	TERMINATED					TOTAL
		JUDGMENT ENTERED			DISMISSALS		
		Contested	Ex Parte	Summary and Confessed *	By Court	By Plaintiff	
LANDLORD & TENANT Summary Ejectment	474	38	243		4	182	467
Tenants Holding Over	11	5	5			1	11
Forcible Entry and Detainer	16	10	2			3	15
Grantee's Possession Suit							
Distracts	12			12			12
SUMMARY JUDGMENT	1116	100	50	539	98	268	1055
CONTRACT	122	54	15	1	31	26	127
TORT	90	25	14	3	13	31	86
CONFESSED JUDGMENTS	58			58			58
REPLEVIN	32	3	12		2	9	26
ATTACHMENT ON ORIGINAL PROCESS	8					3	3
TOTAL	1939	235	341	613	148	523	1860

WRITS OF FI FA	353
WARRANTS OF RESTITUTION	92
APPEAL - Contract	40
Tort	3
Other	1

\* Distracts and Removals included

## CRIMINAL CASES DISPOSED OF

	TRIALS	PRELIMINARY HEARINGS	STETS & NOLLE PROSEQUI	COLLATERAL FORFEITED	JURY TRIAL PRAYED	REMOVALS	COUNTERMANDED or COMPROMISED	TOTAL
TRAFFIC	2620	1	149	7101		16		9887
CRIMINAL	1299	112	121	299	47	7	346	2231
TOWN (Criminal)								
TOTAL	3919	113	270	7400	47	23	346	12,118

# PEOPLE'S COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY

## SUMMARY OF CIVIL CASES

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

LANDLORD & TENANT	FILED DURING YEAR	TERMINATED					
		JUDGMENT ENTERED			DISMISSALS		TOTAL
		Contested	Ex Parte	Summary and Confessed	By Court	By Plaintiff	
Summary Ejectment	103	20	36	18	7	20	101
Tenants Holding Over	3		2			1	3
Forcible Entry and Detainer	4	2	1			1	4
Grantee's Possession Suit							
Distracts	4			1	1	2	4
SUMMARY JUDGMENT	123	26	25	54	16	25	146
CONTRACT	306	44	38	108	39	37	266
TORT	46	24	10	4	5	11	54
CONFESSED JUDGMENTS	4			3	1		4
REPLEVIN	4			3	1		4
ATTACHMENT ON ORIGINAL PROCESS							
TOTAL	597	116	112	191	70	97	586

WRITS OF FI FA	
WARRANTS OF RESTITUTION	7
APPEAL - Contract	12
Tort	
Other	

## CRIMINAL CASES DISPOSED OF

	TRIALS	PRELIMINARY HEARINGS	STETS & NOLLE PROSEQUI	COLLATERAL FORFEITED	JURY TRIAL PRAYED	REMOVALS	COMPROMISED	TOTAL
TRAFFIC	1258		236	5731				7225
CRIMINAL	611	41	149	275	33			1109
TOWN (Criminal)								
TOTAL	1869	41	385	6006	33			8334

# PEOPLE'S COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

## SUMMARY OF CIVIL CASES

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

	FILED DURING YEAR	TERMINATED						Ret.to File	TOTAL
		JUDGMENT ENTERED			DISMISSALS				
		Contested	Ex Parte and Summary	Default	By Court	By Plaintiff			
LANDLORD & TENANT Summary Ejectment	3054			1899	112	979	143	3133	
Tenants Holding Over	93	31		17	1	15	25	89	
Forcible Entry and Detainer									
Grantee's Possession Suit									
Distraints									
SUMMARY JUDGMENT									
CONTRACT	3331	534	1005	65	43	898	998	3543	
TORT	420	112	3	38	2	59	144	358	
CONFESSED JUDGMENTS	31			30		1		31	
REPLEVIN	11	4		3		4	5	16	
ATTACHMENT ON ORIGINAL PROCESS	89	3		19	1	17	38	78	
TOTAL	7029 <sup>a</sup>	684	1008	2071	159	1973	1353	7248	

WRITS OF FI FA - Attachments	729
WARRANTS OF RESTITUTION	719
APPEAL - Contract	94
Tort	5
Other	4
DISTRAINTS	22

(a) 2201 Cases returned Non Est not included

	TRIALS	PRELIMINARY HEARINGS	STETS & NOLLE PROSEQUI	COLLATERAL FORFEITED	APPEALED & JURY TRIAL PRAYED	BOND FFT & BENCH WARRANTS	COMPROMISED	TOTAL
TRAFFIC	11,147		1987	60,692	60			73,886
CRIMINAL	1394	314	2040	563	177	263		4751
TOWN (Criminal)								
TOTAL	12,541	314	4027	61,255	237	263		78,637

# PEOPLE'S COURT OF PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY

## SUMMARY OF CIVIL CASES

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

	FILED DURING YEAR	TERMINATED						Stets & Removals	TOTAL
		JUDGMENT ENTERED			DISMISSALS				
		Contested	Ex Parte	Summary and Confessed	By Court	By Plaintiff			
LANDLORD & TEHANT Summary Ejectment	14,359	545		9306	156	4113	288	14,408	
Tenants Holding Over	63	27		23	3	10	2	65	
Forcible Entry and Detainer	6	1	2	1				4	
Grantee's Possess on Suit									
Distrainments	15	1	4	4	3	6		18	
SUMMARY JUDGMENT	4491	420	25	2202	221	633	637	4138	
CONTRACT	408	120	119	15	68	77	74	473	
TORT	614	137	111	21	103	100	131	603	
CONFESSED JUDGMENTS	10	1		6		4		11	
REPLEVIN	32	7	6	15		4	1	33	
ATTACHMENT ON ORIGINAL PROCESE	49	20		16	1	19	1	57	
TOTAL	20,047 <sup>a-b</sup>	1279	267	11,609	555	4966	1134	19,810	
WRITS OF FI FA - Attachments	631	(a) 2580 Cases returned Non Est not included (b) 140 Non Est cases reissued							
WARRANTS OF RESTITUTION	3889								
APPEAL - Contract	53								
Tort	45								
Other	25								

(a) 2580 Cases returned Non Est not included  
(b) 140 Non Est cases reissued

## CRIMINAL CASES DISPOSED OF

	TRIALS	PRELIMINARY HEARINGS	STETS & NOLLE PROSEQUI	COLLATERAL FORFEITED	JURY TRIAL PRAYED	REMOVALS	COMPROMISED	TOTAL
TRAFFIC	7013	60	816	38,061	8	282		46,240
CRIMINAL	5450	605	539	2720	331	285	202	10,132
TOWN (Criminal)	174		6	747	2	4		933
TOTAL	12,637	665	1361	41,528	341	571	202	57,305

# PEOPLE'S COURT OF WICOMICO COUNTY

## SUMMARY OF CIVIL CASES

September 1, 1968 - August 31, 1969

	FILED DURING YEAR	TERMINATED					TOTAL
		JUDGMENT ENTERED			DISMISSALS		
		Contested	Ex Parte	Summary and Confessed	By Court	By Plaintiff	
LANDLORD & TENANT Summary Ejectment	182	4	8			5	17
Tenants Holding Over							
Forcible Entry and Detainer							
Grantee's Possession Suit							
Distraints							
SUMMARY JUDGMENT	43			43			43
CONTRACT	1234	85	290		6	119	500
TORT	58	6	24		7	15	52
CONFESSED JUDGMENTS	36			36			36
REPLEVIN	64						
ATTACHMENT ON ORIGINAL PROCESS	15						
TOTAL	1632	95	322	79	13	139	648

WRITS OF FI FA	258
WARRANTS OF RESTITUTION	47
APPEAL - Contract	4
Tort	4
Other	
DISTRAINTS	140

## CRIMINAL CASES DISPOSED OF

	TRIALS	PRELIMINARY HEARINGS	STETS & NOLLE PROSEQUI	COLLATERAL FORFEITED	JURY TRIAL PRAYED	REMOVALS	COMPROMISED	TOTAL
TRAFFIC	1017		68	6017				7102
CRIMINAL	852	14	1	265	6	3	412	1553
TOWN (Criminal)	96			24	1		62	183
TOTAL	1965	14	69	6306	7	3	474	8838

# COURTS OF LIMITED JURISDICTION

## Judicial Personnel - Civil Jurisdiction

1968 - 69

County	Trial Magistrates	Substitute Trial Magistrates	People's Court and Municipal Court Judges	Substitute People's Court Judges	Maximum Civil Jurisdiction
Allegany	12	1			\$ 500.00
Anne Arundel			4	1 <sup>a</sup>	2,500.00 <sup>b</sup>
Baltimore City					
Municipal Court			17		none
People's Court <sup>c</sup>			5		2,500.00
Baltimore County					
Housing Court			1		none
Magistrates	16	7			none
People's Court <sup>c</sup>			4	1	2,500.00
Calvert	1	1			500.00
Caroline	2	1			300.00
Carroll	1	1			750.00
Cecil	7	1			100.00 <sup>d</sup>
Charles	1	1 <sup>e</sup>			1,000.00
Dorchester					
Magistrates	2				none
People's Court			2		1,500.00 <sup>b</sup>
Frederick	5	1			1,000.00
Garrett	4	1			500.00
Harford <sup>f</sup>	5	1			2,500.00
Howard			2		1,000.00 <sup>b</sup>
Kent	1	1 <sup>e</sup>			750.00
Montgomery			6	2 <sup>g</sup>	1,000.00
Prince George's			3	3	3,000.00
Queen Anne's	1	1			500.00
St. Mary's	1	1			1,000.00
Somerset	2	1			500.00
Talbot	1	1			1,000.00
Washington	6				1,000.00
Wicomico			1	1	1,500.00 <sup>b</sup>
Worcester	4	1			700.00
Totals	72	22	45	8	

(a) Abolished effective May 3, 1971.

(b) Jurisdiction exclusive to \$300.00.

(c) No criminal jurisdiction; civil jurisdiction exclusive to \$1,000.00.

(d) Magistrate presiding in Elkton has jurisdiction to \$500.00.

(e) Designated "Associate" Trial Magistrate.

(f) Magistrates designated as "Trial Magistrates of the People's Court of Harford County".

(g) Abolished effective May 1, 1970.



# COURTS OF LIMITED JURISDICTION

## Judges and Trial Magistrates<sup>a</sup>

### ALLEGANY COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. Thomas G. Barton  
Hon. Eldred A. Broadwater  
Hon. Francis C. Burns  
Hon. Walter L. Condry  
Hon. Edward P. Flanigan  
Hon. Edwin M. Horchler  
Hon. John Hutzell  
Hon. Alva C. Lewis  
Hon. Russell R. McRobie  
Hon. Raymond J. Miller  
Hon. Russell Niernan  
Hon. Edward J. Ryan  
Hon. F. Allan Weatherholt

### ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

#### People's Court Judges

Hon. Thomas J. Curley, C.J.  
Hon. Robert S. Heise  
Hon. Bruce Morgan  
Hon. George M. Taylor  
Hon. Bruce C. Williams

### BALTIMORE CITY

#### Municipal Court Judges

Hon. I. Sewell Lamdin, C.J.  
Hon. Howard L. Aaron  
Hon. Mary Arabian  
Hon. Aaron A. Baer  
Hon. Albert H. Blum  
Hon. Joseph L. Broccolino, Jr.  
Hon. A. Jerome Diener  
Hon. Joseph G. Finnerty  
Hon. Robert J. Gerstung  
Hon. John R. Hargrove  
Hon. William M. Hudnet  
Hon. Harold Lewis  
Hon. John A. McGuire  
Hon. Avrum K. Rifman  
Hon. Jerome Robinson  
Hon. Edgar P. Silver  
Hon. Henry W. Stichel, Jr.

#### People's Court Judges

Hon. William T. Tippet, Jr., C.J.  
Hon. Carl W. Bacharach  
Hon. E. Paul Mason, Jr.  
Hon. Vern J. Munger, Jr.  
Hon. Henry L. Rogers

### BALTIMORE COUNTY

#### People's Court Judges

Hon. Cullen Holmes, C.J.  
Hon. David N. Bates  
Hon. William J. Hart, Jr.  
Hon. Samuel M. Kimmel  
Hon. John P. Zebelean

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. C. Robert Bearry  
Hon. W. Robert Benson  
Hon. Stuart L. Berger  
Hon. John E. Bohlen, Jr.  
Hon. Julian S. Brewer, Jr.  
Hon. Edwin C. Bustard, Jr.  
Hon. Robert P. Conrad  
Hon. Louis L. DePazzo  
Hon. Leonard Goodman  
Hon. George Heffner  
Hon. Marvin J. Land  
Hon. Ronald L. Lapides  
Hon. John R. Marvin  
Hon. Howard B. Merker  
Hon. Dennis J. Psoras  
Hon. C. Eugene Schmidt  
Hon. Calvin E. Sturdevant  
Hon. Edward P. Swiss

### BALTIMORE COUNTY (Cont'd)

#### Trial Magistrates (Cont'd)

Hon. John Grason Turnbull, II  
Hon. D. James Villa  
Hon. Fred E. Waldrop  
Hon. William I. Weinstein  
Hon. Russell J. White

#### Housing Court Judge

Hon. James A. Gede

### CALVERT COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. Eugene E. Brown  
Hon. E. Roland Howard

### CAROLINE COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. George W. Clendaniel  
Hon. Robert Dale Palmer  
Hon. Edward F. Pierce

### CARROLL COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. Michael J. Binko  
Hon. George A. Roelke

### CECIL COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. Benjamin L. Cole  
Hon. William D. Fossett  
Hon. Harry J. Goodrick  
Hon. Herbert H. Guns  
Hon. Harold E. Montgomery  
Hon. Carroll C. Short  
Hon. Edgar U. Startt  
Hon. Charles F. Wharton

### CHARLES COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. Robert Laurie Mitchell  
Hon. Alfred E. Mudd

### DORCHESTER COUNTY

#### People's Court Judges

Hon. J. Otis McAllister, C.J.  
Hon. Robert E. Farnell, III

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. Oliver Harding  
Hon. Harold L. Richardson

### FREDERICK COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. Guy A. Baker, Sr.  
Hon. Stanley Y. Bennett  
Hon. David J. A. Fisher  
Hon. William B. Gross  
Hon. Edward D. Storm  
Hon. Byron W. Thompson

### GARRETT COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. Lawrence D. Groer  
Hon. Robert M. Maroney  
Hon. Leslie E. Savage  
Hon. Leslie B. Sharpless  
Hon. Robert G. Sines

### HARFORD COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. Charles J. Kelly<sup>b</sup>  
Hon. N. Paul Cronin  
Hon. Stanley Getz

### HARFORD COUNTY (Cont'd)

#### Trial Magistrates (Cont'd)

Hon. Charles B. Keenan, Jr.  
Hon. Harry St. A. O'Neill  
Hon. J. Roswell Poplar

### HOWARD COUNTY

#### People's Court Judges

Hon. John L. Clark, C.J.  
Hon. Philip T. Sybert

### KENT COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. Ernest S. Cookerly  
Hon. Robert G. O'Dell

### MONTGOMERY COUNTY

#### People's Court Judges

Hon. Philip M. Fairbanks, C.J.  
Hon. Richard B. Latham  
Hon. Douglas H. Moore, Jr.  
Hon. J. Willard Nalls, Jr.  
Hon. Alfred D. Noyes  
Hon. Calvin R. Sanders  
Hon. J. Hodge Smith

### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

#### People's Court Judges

Hon. William H. McGrath, C.J.  
Hon. Thomas R. Brooks  
Hon. James M. Rea  
Hon. Harold Rogers  
Hon. Richard V. Waldron

### QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. J. Wilson Clark  
Hon. John W. Sause, Jr.

### ST. MARY'S COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. John H. T. Briscoe  
Hon. Alice Taylor

### SOMERSET COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. G. Beverly Holland  
Hon. Norman C. Mason  
Hon. Albert J. Rich

### TALBOT COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. James F. Stewart  
Hon. W. Ben Wilson

### WASHINGTON COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. Allen M. Baumgardner  
Hon. Howard W. Gilbert, Jr.  
Hon. Elmer G. Miller  
Hon. J. Leonard Starkey  
Hon. John H. Stotlemeyer  
Hon. B. J. Warrenfeltz

### WICOMICO COUNTY

#### People's Court Judges

Hon. Robert W. Dallas, C.J.  
Hon. Raymond Stevens Smethurst, Jr.

### WORCESTER COUNTY

#### Trial Magistrates

Hon. H. Roy Bergey  
Hon. Crawford B. Hillman  
Hon. Norman R. Lynch  
Hon. Carroll C. Serman  
Hon. Wallace A. Shenton

(a) As of January 27, 1970  
(b) Chief Trial Magistrate

# LOCATIONS OF COURTS OF LIMITED JURISDICTION

## ALLEGANY COUNTY

Barton  
Cresaptown  
Cumberland  
Flintstone  
Frostburg  
Lonaconing  
Midland  
Mt. Savage  
Oldtown  
Westernport

## ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

Annapolis  
Edgewater  
Millersville  
Odenton

## BALTIMORE CITY

Municipal Court  
Central District  
Northern District  
Eastern District  
Southern District  
Western District  
North Eastern District  
North Western District  
South Eastern District  
South Western District  
People's Court  
People's Court Building

## BALTIMORE COUNTY

Magistrates  
Catonsville  
Cockeysville  
Dundalk  
Edgemere  
Essex  
Fullerton  
Halethorpe  
Kingsville  
Parkton  
Parkville  
Pikesville  
Rosedale  
Reisterstown  
Sparrows Point  
Towson  
Woodlawn  
People's Court  
Catonsville  
Dundalk  
Essex  
Towson  
Housing Court  
Towson

## CALVERT COUNTY

North Beach  
Prince Frederick

## CAROLINE COUNTY

Denton  
Federalsburg

## CARROLL COUNTY

Westminster

## CECIL COUNTY

Cecilton  
Chesapeake City  
Elkton  
Northeast  
Perryville  
Port Deposit  
Rising Sun

## CHARLES COUNTY

La Plata

## DORCHESTER COUNTY

Cambridge  
Hurlock  
Vienna

## FREDERICK COUNTY

Brunswick  
Emmitsburg  
Frederick  
Thurmont

## GARRETT COUNTY

Friendsville  
Grantsville  
Kitzmiller  
Oakland

## HARFORD COUNTY

Aberdeen  
Abingdon  
Bel Air  
Darlington  
Havre de Grace

## HOWARD COUNTY

Ellicott City

## KENT COUNTY

Chestertown

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Bethesda  
Rockville  
Silver Spring  
Takoma Park

## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

District Heights  
Forest Heights  
Hyattsville  
Laurel  
Upper Marlboro

## QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

Centreville

## ST. MARY'S COUNTY

Leonardtown

## SOMERSET COUNTY

Crisfield  
Princess Anne

## TALBOT COUNTY

Easton  
St. Michaels

## WASHINGTON COUNTY

Boonsboro  
Hagerstown  
Hancock  
Smithsburg  
Williamsport

## WICOMICO COUNTY

Salisbury

## WORCESTER COUNTY

Berlin  
Ocean City  
Pocomoke City  
Snow Hill

## VIII THE CLERKS OF COURT

The past year has witnessed one change in the position of Clerk of Court and several in the position of Chief Deputy Clerk. Frank C. Robey, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of Baltimore City, died on January 13, 1970. He had held the post since his election in 1934 and had been instrumental in applying many sound business policies and practices to the operation of his office. Joseph C. Dersch, former Chief Deputy Clerk, was named Clerk of Court.

Two chief deputies retired from office after many years of service, H. Maus Rinehart of Carroll County on November 30, 1968 and Elleanor G. Owings of Anne Arundel County on February 1, 1969. They were replaced by Robert W. Bair and T. Gordon Fitzhugh, respectively. Other chief deputies named were Oma L. Paugh of Garrett County and Charles L. Schleigh of Washington County.

The Maryland Court Clerks' Association has spent an active year in an effort to promote greater uniformity in the operation of the various clerks' offices throughout the State. In addition to its annual meeting held at Ocean City on August 7, 8 and 9, 1969 the organization held two seminars, one on October 25 and 26, 1968 at Baltimore and the other on February 6 and 7, 1969 at Annapolis. Membership in the association is composed of the Clerks of Court and their chief deputies. The long period of faithful service rendered to the public by the Clerks and their deputies is evident from the fact that the average time in office of the fifty-two persons who attended the annual meeting was nearly eighteen years. Present officers of the Maryland Court Clerks' Association are Orville T. Gosnell, President; Earl H. Pinder, First Vice President;

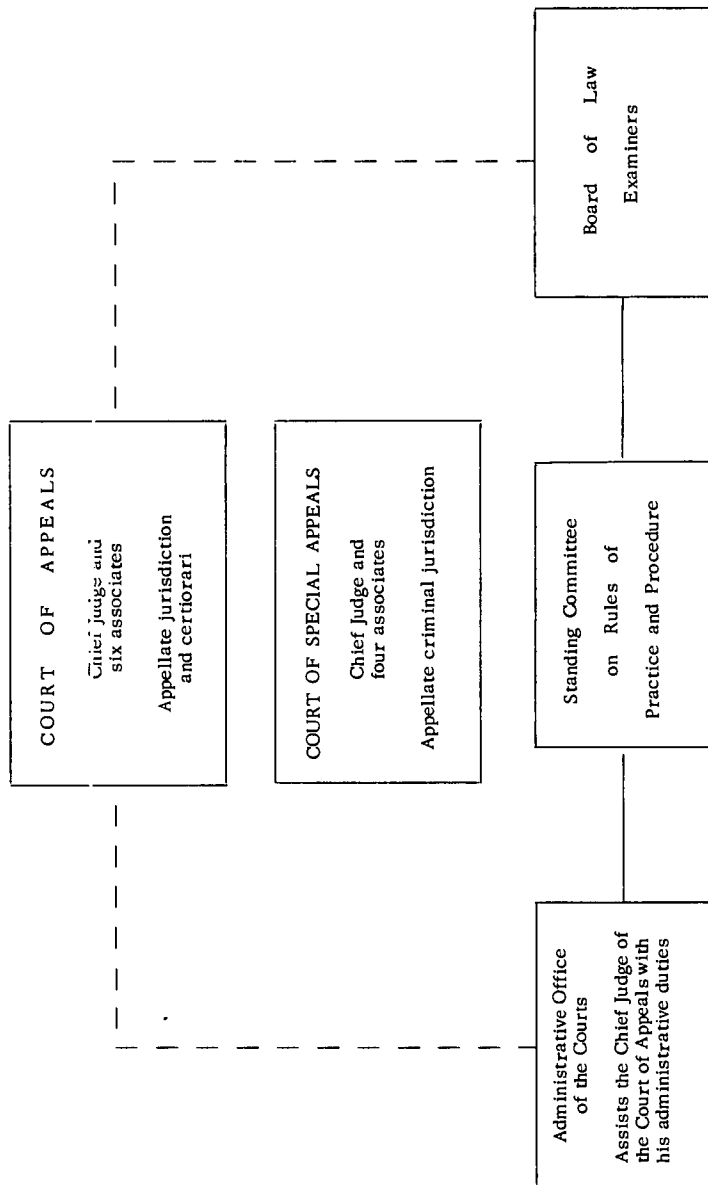
Vaughn J. Baker, Second Vice President; Ellis C. Wachter, Secretary; Mildred C. Butler, Treasurer; and James M. Green, Assistant Secretary.

Of the multitudinous duties required to be performed by the personnel of the various Clerks' offices, one task has been rather recently created, that of solemnizing civil marriages. Since January 1, 1964, a total of 71,290 such marriages have been performed in the Clerks' offices throughout Maryland. A glance at the chart of civil marriages solemnized reveals a steady growth in number since their inception. As in previous calendar years, Cecil County once again led all other jurisdictions in civil marriages performed.

CIVIL MARRIAGES												
County	Licenses Issued						Marriages Solemnized					
	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Allegany	2725	2636	2474	2388	2424	2373	150	496	452	486	751	913
Anne Arundel	2018	2114	2207	2454	2854	2932	237	273	292	394	465	496
Baltimore City	10,143	10,645	10,435	10,661	10,951	10,876	1496	1684	1705	1818	1733	1806
Baltimore	3902	4215	4450	4820	5295	5668	372	414	465	589	642	753
Calvert	142	155	148	163	186	207	18	20	20	14	18	19
Caroline	444	474	450	462	447	449	30	37	41	27	34	29
Carroll	751	706	702	761	849	805	147	124	122	172	173	181
Cecil	8337	8188	7504	7580	7356	7922	3570	3502	3190	3426	3984	4506
Charles	526	508	540	508	611	589	155	134	150	170	198	192
Dorchester	277	310	309	289	358	324	9	8	17	9	13	17
Frederick	1055	1028	1116	1066	1155	1167	191	158	194	172	221	235
Garrett	1773	1906	1638	1598	1563	1611	505	598	530	503	522	561
Harford	1305	1371	1506	1389	1509	1478	398	429	441	471	500	476
Howard	756	785	662	711	780	798	141	172	141	169	210	219
Kent	204	214	236	207	198	214	36	27	38	34	32	35
Montgomery	3849	4258	4384	5235	5667	6017	720	868	833	1404	1474	1676
Prince George's	4073	4454	4874	5406	6241	6677	635	870	944	1215	1465	1653
Queen Anne's	167	154	165	136	151	146	26	15	22	16	19	12
St. Mary's	377	422	397	440	423	479	63	91	92	124	102	110
Somerset	286	266	259	254	265	246	12	12	14	14	10	13
Talbot	252	252	261	246	290	288	18	27	22	23	22	38
Washington	2646	2795	2666	2664	2820	2852	479	668	655	697	793	906
Wicomico	743	778	828	805	839	909	51	60	72	75	91	122
Worcester	437	532	476	504	493	518	37	40	45	45	38	25
State Totals	47,188	49,166	48,687	50,747	53,725	55,545	9496	10,727	10,497	12,067	13,510	14,993

## APPENDIX

# COURTS OF MARYLAND



## TRIAL COURTS

FIRST Judicial Circuit (4 Judges)	SECOND Judicial Circuit (6 Judges)	THIRD Judicial Circuit (11 Judges)	FOURTH Judicial Circuit (5 Judges)	FIFTH Judicial Circuit (8 Judges)	SIXTH Judicial Circuit (11 Judges)	SEVENTH Judicial Circuit (12 Judges)	EIGHTH Judicial Circuit (21 Judges)
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The Circuit Courts in the first seven judicial circuits hear criminal and civil law cases, both jury and non-jury, as well as matters arising in Equity. These courts also hear appeals from People's Courts, Trial Magistrates, and from administrative agencies. With the exception of the court in Montgomery County, they exercise jurisdiction in Juvenile Causes. In the Eighth Judicial Circuit where there are separate law, equity and criminal courts, (Baltimore City Court, Circuit Court of Baltimore City, Court of Common Pleas, Criminal Court of Baltimore, Superior Court of Baltimore City), the judges rotate each year from one court or division thereof to another, while at the same time having authority to preside in any of the courts as the need arises. These judges also have jurisdiction in Juvenile Causes and hear appeals from the People's Court of Baltimore City, the Municipal Court of Baltimore City, and from administrative agencies. They also convene as the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City. This, however, is not a conventional court. In the exercise of limited duties it assigns its members to the various trial Courts in Baltimore City and makes rules governing these courts, admits attorneys to practice, and holds disbarment proceedings.

Supreme Bench of Baltimore City  
(Eighth Judicial Circuit)

Superior Court	Court of Common Pleas	Baltimore City Court	Criminal Court	Circuit Court	Circuit Court No. 2	Judges at Large	Motions Judge
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These courts have concurrent original jurisdiction in law cases, jury and non-jury; also special jurisdiction, ie, appeals from People's Court and administrative agencies.			Criminal Cases, including appeals from the Municipal Court of Baltimore City; also cases referred from Domestic Relations Division of the Supreme Bench.		Equity Cases (a) Division for Juvenile Causes (b) Also cases referred from Domestic Relations Division of the Supreme Bench.	Assist in any of the Courts.	Hears and rules on motions and also assists in any of the Courts.

OTHER COURTS

MUNICIPAL COURT OF BALTIMORE CITY

The Municipal Court of Baltimore City, which began functioning in June 1961, replaces the former traffic and police or magistrate courts. It has jurisdiction over certain prescribed criminal cases and over all traffic cases. The right of appeal is provided.

PEOPLE'S COURTS

The People's Court of Baltimore City is presided over by a Chief Judge and four associates; it has exclusive jurisdiction in civil law cases where the amount involved is \$1,000.00 or less, and concurrent jurisdiction with the law courts of the Eighth Judicial Circuit where the amount involved is between \$1,000.00 and \$2,500.00. It is a court of record. People's Courts with limited jurisdiction in civil matters also have been established in Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Dorchester, Howard, Montgomery, Prince George's and Wicomico Counties. With the exception of the People's Court of Baltimore County, they also have limited criminal jurisdiction and exclusive jurisdiction in traffic cases. The right of appeal is provided.

TRIAL MAGISTRATES

Trial magistrates in the counties have jurisdiction in petty criminal cases, and in civil matters where the limit of their jurisdiction is restricted, varying in the several counties from \$100.00 to \$2,500.00. Appeals lie to the Circuit Courts. In Harford County the trial magistrate courts are designated as the People's Court.

ORPHANS' COURTS

One in each county with the exception of Montgomery and one in Baltimore City, in each of which three judges preside. The courts have jurisdiction over the administration of the estates of decedents and minors. Appeals lie to the Circuit Court level as well as to the Court of Appeals. As of November 8, 1966 the Circuit Court for Montgomery County assumed the jurisdiction formerly exercised by the Orphans' Court in that county.

# COURTS - JUDGES - CLERKS

CLERKS	CHIEF DEPUTY CLERKS	LOCATION	JUDGES
<u>Court of Appeals</u>	J. Lloyd Young	Annapolis	Hall Hammond <sup>a</sup> Wilson K. Barnes William J. McWilliams Thomas B. Finan Frederick J. Singley, Jr. Marvin H. Smith J. Dudley Digges
<u>Court of Special Appeals</u>	Julius A. Romano	Annapolis	Robert C. Murphy <sup>a</sup> Thomas M. Anderson James C. Morton, Jr. Charles E. Orth, Jr. Charles Awdry Thompson
<u>First Judicial Circuit</u>			
Dorchester County	Philip L. Cannon	Cambridge	C. Burnam Mace
Somerset County	I. Theodore Phoebus	Princess Anne	E. McMaster Duer <sup>a</sup>
Wicomico County	Joseph W. T. Smith	Salisbury	William W. Travers <sup>b</sup>
Worcester County	Frank W. Hales	Snow Hill	Daniel T. Prettyman
<u>Second Judicial Circuit</u>			
Caroline County	Mildred C. Butler	Denton	J. DeWeese Carter <sup>a-b</sup>
Cecil County	W. Andrew Seth	Elkron	H. Kenneth Mackey
Kent County	Earl H. Pinder	Chestertown	J. Albert Roney, Jr.
Queen Anne's County	Charles W. Cecil	Centreville	George B. Rasin, Jr.
Talbot County	John T. Baynard	Easton	B. Hackett Turner, Jr. Harry E. Clark
<u>Third Judicial Circuit</u>			
Baltimore County	Orville T. Gosnell	Towson	Lester L. Barretta <sup>a</sup> John E. Raine, Jr. W. Albert Menchine John Grason Turnbull Walter M. Jenifer Kenneth C. Proctor <sup>b</sup> John N. Maguire Walter R. Haile H. Kemp MacDaniel Harry E. Dyer, Jr. Albert P. Close
Harford County	Garland R. Greer	Bel Air	
<u>Fourth Judicial Circuit</u>			
Allegany County	L. Fred Dean	Cumberland	Harold E. Naughton
Garrett County	Richard L. Davis	Oakland	James S. Getty
Washington County	Vaughn J. Baker <sup>c</sup>	Hagerstown	Stuart F. Hamill D. K. McLaughlin <sup>a</sup> Irvine H. Rutledge <sup>b</sup>
<u>Fifth Judicial Circuit</u>			
Anne Arundel County	Marjorie S. Holt	Annapolis	Matthew S. Evans George Sachse E. Mackall Childs Ridgely P. Melvin, Jr. W. Harvey Beardmore Edward O. Weant, Jr. James Macgilla-b T. Hunt Mayfield
Carroll County	Charles C. Conaway	Westminster	
Howard County	C. Merritt Pumphrey	Ellicott City	



# Sixth Judicial Circuit

Frederick County	Ellis C. Wachter	Arthur H. Lambert	Frederick	Robert E. Clapp, Jr. <sup>b</sup> Samuel W. Barrick Kathryn J. Shook <sup>a</sup> James H. Pugh Ralph G. Shure Walter H. Moorman Joseph M. Mathias Plummer M. Shearin John P. Moore Irving A. Levine H. Ralph Miller
Montgomery County	Howard M. Smith	Hazel W. Byrnes	Rockville	

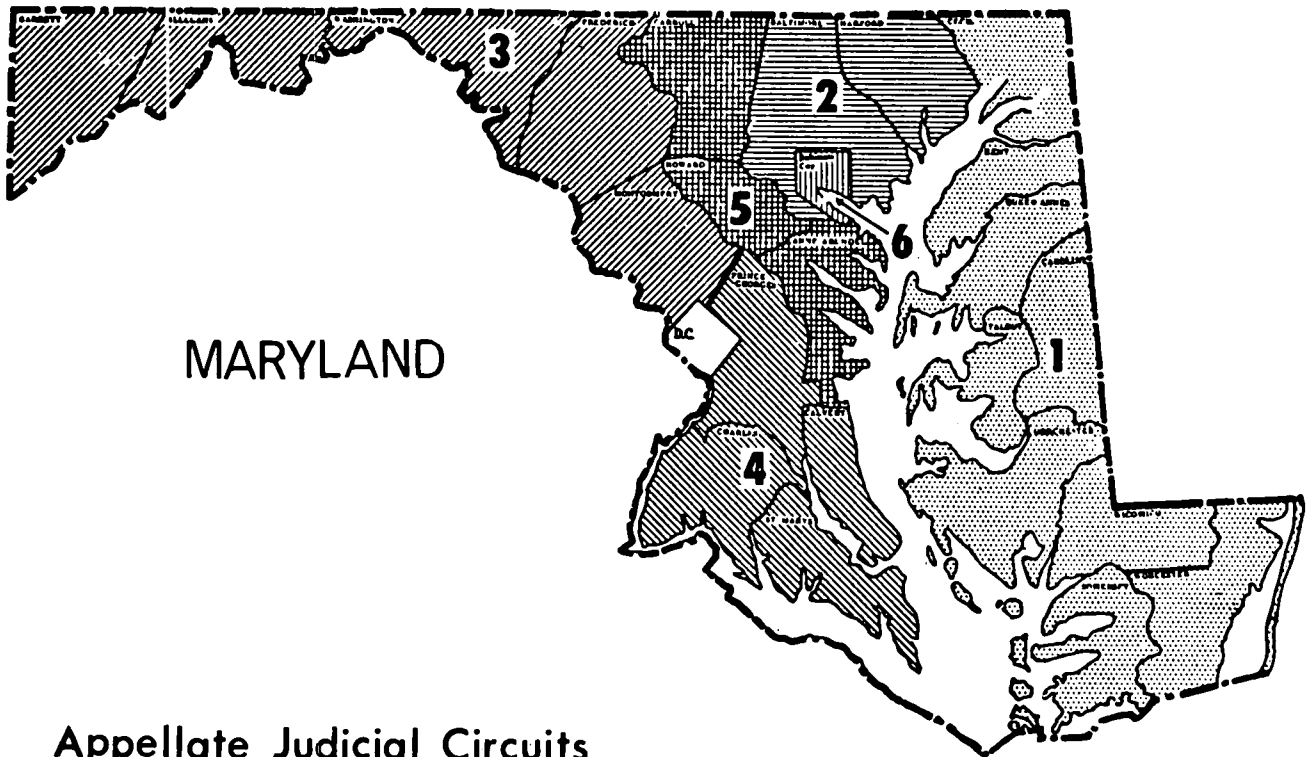
# Seventh Judicial Circuit

Calvert County	J. Lloyd Bowen	Patricia B. Buckler	Prince Frederick	Perry G. Bowen, Jr.
Charles County	Patrick C. Mudd	Sonya E. Rees	La Plata	James C. Mitchell
Prince George's County	W. Waverly Webb	William R. Clay	Upper Marlboro	Ralph W. Powers <sup>b</sup> Roscoe H. Parker Ernest A. Loveless, Jr. William B. Bowie Robert B. Mathias Samuel W. H. Meloy Samuel J. DEBlasis William H. McCullough James H. Taylor Philip H. Dorsey, Jr. <sup>a</sup>
St. Mary's County	Dorothy B. Kucher	Evelyn W. Arnold	Leonardtown	

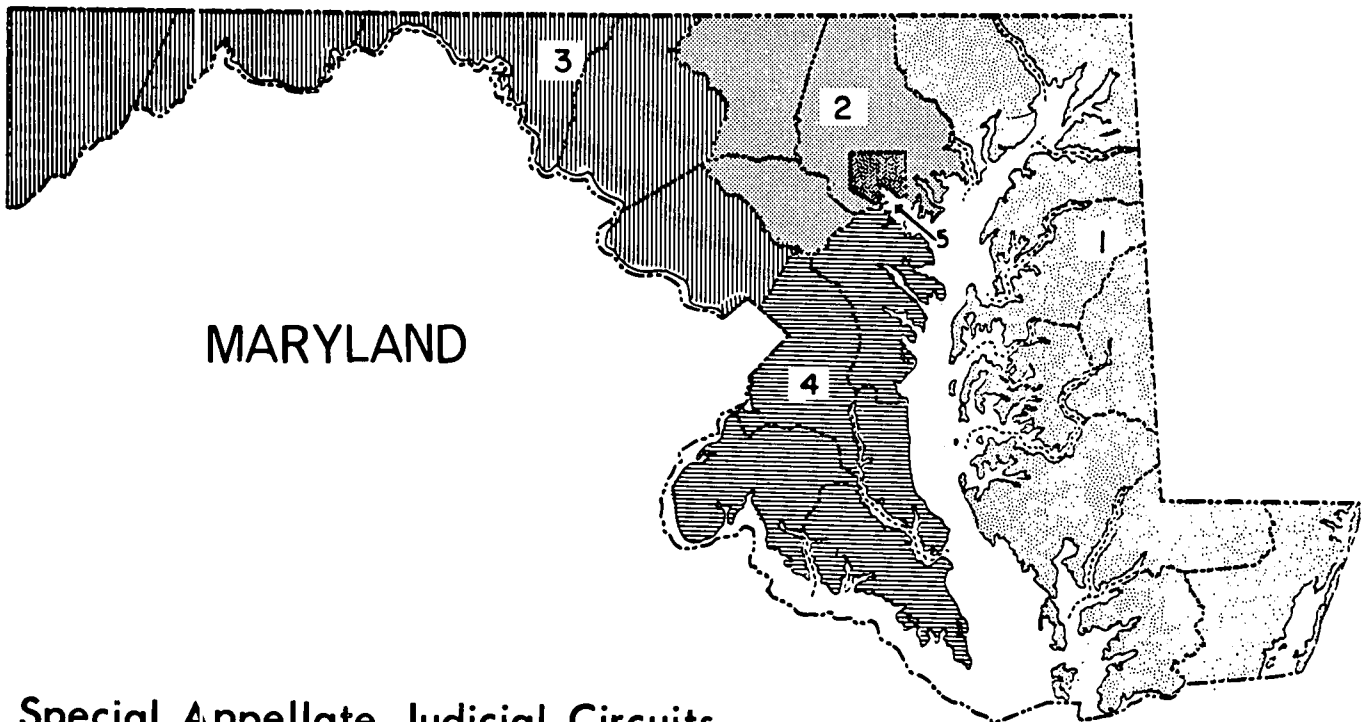
# Eighth Judicial Circuit

Baltimore City Court	John O. Rutherford	Edwin J. Dickerson	Baltimore City	Dulany Foster <sup>a-b</sup> Joseph L. Carter James K. Cullen Anselm Sodaro J. Gilbert Prendergast Shirley B. Jones Meyer M. Cardin Charles D. Harris J. Harold Grady Albert L. Sklar William J. O'Donnell James A. Perrott Robert I. H. Hammerman Harry A. Cole Solomon Liss George D. Solter David Ross Paul A. Dorf Joseph C. Howard Basil A. Thomas Robert B. Watts
Court of Common Pleas	Joseph C. Dersch			
Superior Court	Robert H. Bouse	Edward G. Janos		
Criminal Court	Lawrence R. Mooney	George F. J. Brown		
Circuit Court	Henry J. Ripberger	Louis Cohen		
Circuit Court No. 2	G. Gordon Kirby	Raleigh E. Stokes		

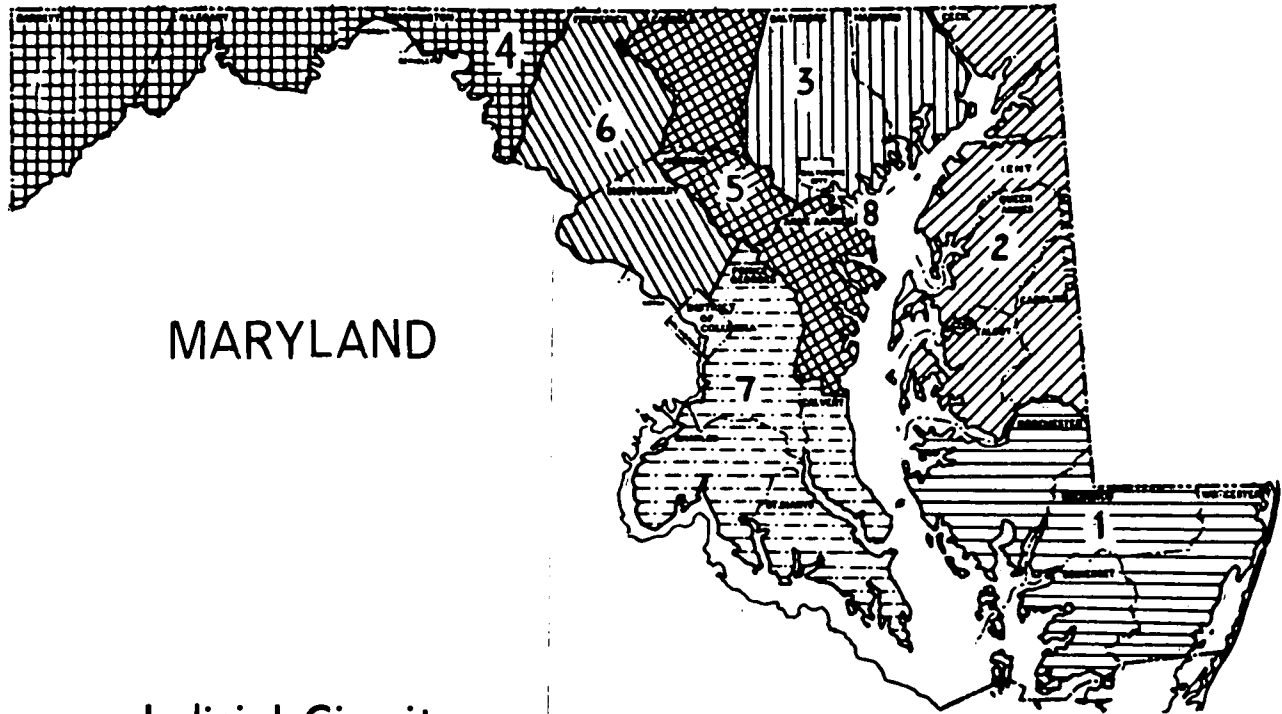
- (a) Chief Judge
- (b) Circuit Administrative Judge
- (c) Acting Clerk of Court



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